

# Center for Alternative and Supported Education (CASE)

at CCBC

*A college experience for adults with learning differences*

# CASE Overview

## Two Programs

- ✓ ACCESS
- ✓ Single Step

## Both programs

- ✓ have provided services for over 45 years
- ✓ Provide educational opportunities
  - ✓ to adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities
  - ✓ Along a spectrum of abilities



# CASE ACCESS

*A college experience for adults in  
DDA Services/Agency programming*



# CASE - ACCESS

Classes for adults with intellectual/developmental differences who

- ✓ Participate in
  - ✓ day programming with DDA-funded agencies
  - ✓ day programming with mental health providers
  - ✓ DDA Self-Directed Services
- ✓ Want to work on reading, writing and math skills
- ✓ Want to work on life and other skills
- ✓ Want to enrich their lives with art, music and theater
- ✓ Want to learn in a college environment

# Academic

- ✓ Applied Skills
  - ✓ Reading Comprehension
  - ✓ Basic Math Skills
  - ✓ Critical Thinking

# Life Skills

- ✓ Essential (Employment) Skills
- ✓ Self-Advocacy/Assertiveness
- ✓ Personal Finance
- ✓ Healthy Cooking & Kitchen Safety
- ✓ Computer Skills
- ✓ Communication and Social Skills
- ✓ Stress Management
- ✓ Anger Management

# Self-Expression

- ✓ Art for Wellness
- ✓ Pottery
- ✓ Drawing
- ✓ Theater (communication/self-advocacy skills)
- ✓ Storytelling (communication/sequencing)
- ✓ Sewing (hand)

# Contracting Process

1. Contact our office by phone or email
2. Sign Letter of Intent
3. Agency chooses
  - a. classes, dates and times
  - b. individuals to attend classes
4. Classes can begin at any time



# Open Enrollment Opportunities

- ✓ Developing open enrollment classes
- ✓ Geared toward recipients of Self-Directed Services
- ✓ Stay tuned

# Contact

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# CASE Single Step

*A college experience for more independent adults with learning differences*



# CASE - Single Step

Classes for adults with intellectual/developmental differences who

- ✓ Are independent enough to navigate a college campus on their own
- ✓ Want training to find a job
- ✓ Want to work on reading, writing and math skills
- ✓ Want to work on life and other skills
- ✓ Aren't quite ready for credit classes
- ✓ Want to take both credit classes and non-credit electives with Single Step
- ✓ Want to learn in a college environment

# Academic/General Studies

- ✓ English
  - ✓ Reading Comprehension (4 levels)
  - ✓ Writing (3 levels)
- ✓ Math (3 levels)
- ✓ Humanities Courses
  - ✓ How Government Works
  - ✓ Theatre/Communication and Advocacy
  - ✓ History/Art/Music

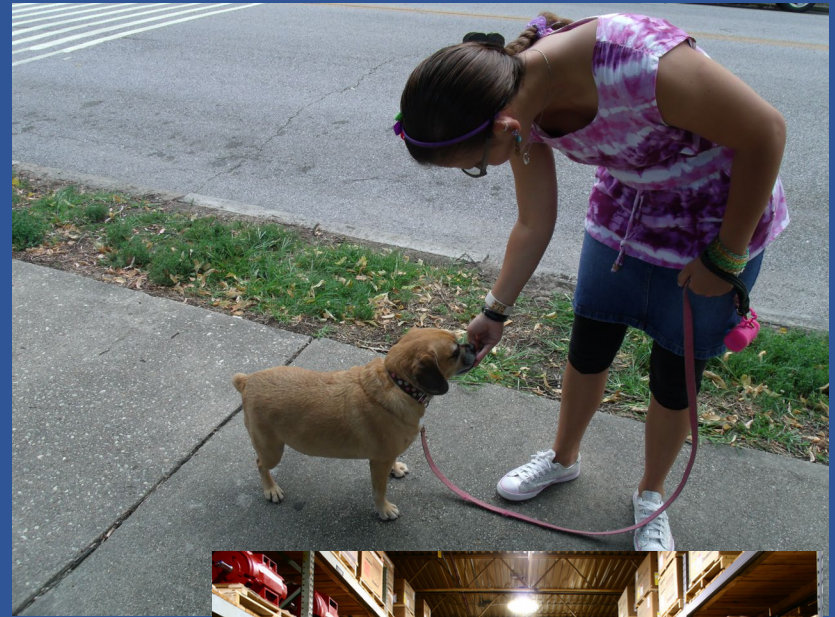
# Academic/General Studies

## ✓ Life Skills

- ✓ Personal Finance
- ✓ Video Game Design/Animation
- ✓ Essential (Employment) Skills
- ✓ Healthy Cooking & Kitchen Safety
- ✓ Communication and Social Skills
- ✓ Stress Management

# Career Tracks

- ✓ Child Care/Infants & Toddlers
- ✓ Child Care Assistant
- ✓ Professional Animal Workers (PAWS)
- ✓ Veterinary Assistant
- ✓ Office Skills
- ✓ Warehouse Technician
- ✓ Security Guard





# Child Care

*Qualifies for MD State 90-Hour certification*

## Courses

- ✓ Early Childhood Growth/Development
- ✓ Early Childhood Methods & Materials
- ✓ Skills & Concepts for Employment
- ✓ Communications & Interpersonal Skills
- ✓ Internship (2 semesters)





# Child Care Assistant

(first semester of Child Care)

## Courses

- ✓ Early Childhood Growth/Development
- ✓ Skills & Concepts for Employment
- ✓ Internship (1 semester)



# Infants and Toddlers

*Qualifies for MD State 45-Hour certification*

For successful completers of 90-hour Child Care

Course

✓ Infant and Toddler Care



# Professional Animal Workers (PAWS)

*Work in a kennel, pet daycare, groomers, pet shop, farm or a veterinary hospital*

- **Courses include:**

- ✓ Basic Animal Studies I & II
- ✓ Skills/Concepts for Clerical Work
- ✓ Microsoft Applications
- ✓ Job Readiness
- ✓ Internship



# Veterinary Assistant

*Work in a veterinary clinic or hospital*

Prerequisite: Professional Animal Workers (PAWS)

## Courses

- ✓ Introduction to Veterinary Assisting
- ✓ Veterinary Assisting I and II
- ✓ Practical Skills for the Veterinary Assistant
- ✓ Anatomy and Disease for Veterinary Assisting

# Office Skills

*Prepare for an entry level position in an office setting*

## Courses Include:

- ✓ Skills/Concepts for Clerical Work
- ✓ Microsoft Applications
- ✓ Keyboarding
- ✓ Job Readiness
- ✓ Internship



# Warehouse Technician

*Get an entry-level position in a warehouse setting*

- **Courses**

- Reading for the Warehouse
- Math for the Warehouse
- Warehouse Methods and Safety
- Forklift Certification
- Job Readiness
- Internship



# Training Partners - DORS

- ✓ Training at Workforce and Technology Center
  - ✓ Child Care
  - ✓ Professional Animal Workers (PAWS)
  - ✓ Warehouse Technician
  - ✓ CVS Retail
  - ✓ CVS Pharmacy Technician
  - ✓ Starbucks Barista
  - ✓ Sephora Warehouse Training
  - ✓ Automotive Detailing/Repair
- ✓ Several cohorts throughout the year

# Training Partners - DEWD

- ✓ Summer Youth Employment Program
  - ✓ Essential Skills Training for Summer Interns
  - ✓ Continuing Support for Online Training



# Admissions Criteria

- ✓ Over age 16
- ✓ Ability to manage and complete the coursework
- ✓ Ability to regulate behavior in a college setting
- ✓ Career Programs require reading/math levels
  - ✓ 8<sup>th</sup> grade reading: Veterinary Assistant
  - ✓ 6<sup>th</sup> grade reading: Child Care, PAWS, Office Skills, Warehouse Technician
  - ✓ 5<sup>th</sup> grade math: Veterinary Assistant, Warehouse Technician
  - ✓ 4<sup>th</sup> grade reading: Child Care Assistant

# Admissions Process

1. Contact our office by phone or email
2. Complete online student intake form
3. Schedule and attend assessment and intake meeting
4. Register for classes

# Contact Us

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