

# **Program Overview**

#### Introduction

OnRAMP's Ignite curriculum is designed for adolescents and young adults (grades 6-8) with high incidence disabilities, given them the skills necessary to become active participants in designing their futures.

This comprehensive program consists of eight lessons designed to be taught during a 45-50 minute instructional period. Each lesson engages students in active cross-curricular learning through the use of a variety of instructional methods, including: multimedia presentations, personal inventories, hands-on activities, games, class discussions, and small group work.

## **Program Outline**

The Ignite curriculum actively engages students in a variety of transition-planning topics, including:

- Preparation for IEP meetings
- Self-Advocacy
- Accommodations and Modifications
- Study Skills
- Personality Type
- Communication Style
- Career Exploration
- Transition to High School

# **Meeting State and Federal Requirements**

Ignite is designed to meet the needs of a variety of audiences and fulfill multiple state and/or federal requirements.

Public School Districts: Ignite helps public schools ensure they successfully are meeting both Indicator 13 and Transition Plan requirements as set forth in the IDEA 2004.

Centers for Independent Living (CILs): Ignite helps CILs meet 5<sup>th</sup> Core requirements.

#### **NOT Just Another Curriculum**

OnRAMP Disability Curriculum & Training is a cost-effective solution to provide disability-focused curriculum. Ignite is uniquely designed to meet the needs of a variety of audiences and fulfill a variety of state and/or federal requirements.

### **Components of the Curriculum**

Ignite can be facilitated by educational personnel in an academic setting or by personnel from any community agency, federal program, or human services provider.

Each of the eight lessons includes detailed lesson plans as well as activities and some assignments. A variety of instructional strategies and content presentation methods are used throughout the curriculum. Some lessons include video clips for students to view, which are included in the Ignite materials flash drive.

#### **Instructor Manual**

The Instructor Manual includes a detailed lesson plan for each of the eight lessons. Each plan includes: a lesson overview, objectives, materials list, lesson preparation notes, instructional outline, and additional resources. Many of the lessons have accompanying handouts and activities. Some of the materials, such as the Jenga blocks, are not included with the curriculum.

#### **Ignite Flash Drive**

Electronic copies of the lesson plans and accompanying handouts and activities, as well as any video clips are included on the Ignite Materials Flash Drive.

#### **Student Portfolios**

Lessons often have corresponding assignments or activities to be completed in the Student Portfolio, and each lesson concludes with students recording 2-4 takeaway points in the "Now I Know" section. This structure requires that every Ignite participant have their own Student Portfolio. It is strongly encouraged that students keep their portfolios at the conclusion of the program as they contain content highlights, resources, and student-specific information, making them an excellent resource for future use.

Thank you for choosing OnRAMP's Ignite program! This curriculum will assist students in transitioning to high school and beyond, providing them with the knowledge, skills, and tools, which will help them advocate for themselves during IEP meetings as well as other academic, community, and home settings; communicate successfully; study effectively; and explore future career options. We are passionate about preparing students for education, employment, and community engagement and believe Ignite will plant those seeds of confidence for now and in the future.

