Lilly’s Plan: Pursuing her Dreams!

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# Title: Pre-Meetings

Lilly’s mom first called to find out about the person-driven planning strategies so I met with the two of them at a coffee shop to talk about the process. The goal was to identify specific goals and activities that would help Lilly be better prepared to go to college. Although she was only 16 at the time, she and her family didn’t feel like they were getting adequate goals identified at school. We met again, this time at their house, to talk more specifically about who Lilly would invite, where and when she wanted to have the meeting, and if she preferred to have a MAP or a PATH. She decided on a MAP and the meeting was on.

# Title: Lilly’s Story – How did she get to this point in her life?

Information was shared by Lilly, 6 of her high school friends, her favorite teacher (Journalism), her resource teacher, the paraprofessional who works most closely with her, and her parents.

# Title: Lilly’sDreams – What does she want to be? Where? Doing what?

Ideas for short-term & long-term dreams, everything that’s positive and possible!

# Title: Strengths – From her perspective, from others’ perspectives

# Title: Nightmares – Her own & what others fear for her

Lilly’s friends provided some valuable insights, based on their experiences with Lilly, both in & out of school

# Title: What’s working?

It’s important to build on what’s working . . .

# Title: What’s not?

. . . and minimize what’s not; some time was spent on discussing possible strategies

# Title: Actions: Who’s going to do what by when?

Both immediate and longer term actions to get her closer to meeting her writing and college goals; these could be easily translated into IEP and ITP goals.

# Title: Lilly’s gang (including her “high school mafia”)

Each of her friends was interested in having their own MAP after seeing how Lilly’s turned out!

# Title: Ongoing success:

*Message from Lilly*: I had my College Discussion Dinner on December 26th and it was a huge success. There were three freshmen in college and four seniors from my high school that attended. Unfortunately, I was the only junior, but it was still helpful to hear about college/applying to college. I've attached a picture of all of us for you. Do you like our crowns?

July 2014: Lilly was accepted into the CA Youth Leadership Forum!