# SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS CAN THINK COLLEGE



"For years, limitations have been placed on our students with disabilities and they have not been given true opportunities to aspire to a college experience. It is imperative that we raise expectations for ourselves and for our students so that they can reach and exceed their potential."

-Melvin Brown, Superintendent, Reynoldsburg City Schools in Ohio

## **Did You Know?**

More than 270 colleges & universities in 49 states support students with intellectual disability (ID).

Recent data show 65% of students with ID who completed a higher education program had a paid job one year after graduation; much higher than 17%, which is the national employment rate of adults with intellectual and developmental disability.

(National Core Indicators, 2018)

Over 8000 students with intellectual disability are attending college in the US.

# Think College has:



A help desk with highly qualified individuals available to answer your questions and provide support quickly and reliably.



Rethinking College, a short, engaging video about college for students with ID, perfect for education and training of school staff and community members.



An archived webinar focused on developing measurable & meaningful IEP goals, that are aligned with anticipated college experiences, for students preparing for college.

(View here: http://bit.ly/IEP\_goals\_for\_college)



CHANGING EXPECIATIONS. INCREASING OPPORTUNITIES.

Think College is a national organization dedicated to developing, expanding, and improving inclusive higher education options for people with intellectual disability.

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# In 2008

### the Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA)...

- defined inclusive higher education
- emphasized access to college courses and internships
- focused on integrated employment outcomes
- provided access to financial aid

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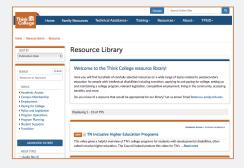
The Think College website is the trusted source for information, training, and resources about inclusive higher education for students with intellectual disability.

## Learn more @ www.thinkcollege.net



#### **What's Happening in your State**

Currently, 17 states have policy or legislation on inclusive higher education. Find out more about what's going on where you live by using this section of our website.



#### **Resource Library**

Use this library of almost 800 resources to learn more about supporting students with disabilities to go to college. There are publications, tools & checklists, archived webinars, and more. You can search by keyword, and resource type.



#### **Events & Trainings**

Find out if Think College staff will be at an upcoming conference where you or your staff are attending, or attend one of our free monthly webinars. Perfect for professional development!

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