

Transition to School Checklist

Below you will find a list of tasks that parents and caregivers may consider prior to their child transitioning from ABA to school. Families can also request a meeting with Cornerstone's Parent Liaison to discuss the transition process listed below.

- Choose a school** for your child to attend.
 - If you are considering schools outside of your neighborhood school, **research schools** in your area.
 - **Request to tour schools** that you are considering for your child.
 - If your desired school is not your child's neighborhood school, **request a transfer** during the district's transfer period, **or fill out an application** if it's a private school.

- Request a special education evaluation** through email.
 - You can also ask for an FBA (Functional Behavior Analysis) and OT and Speech evaluations at this time, if appropriate.

- Prepare for the IEP meeting.**
 - Make a **list of your child's strengths**.
 - Make a **list of concerns** you have for your child's first year in school.
 - Make a **list of goals** you would like to see for your child, as well as **supports** that may be appropriate for them in a school setting.
 - **Request a meeting** to discuss services and supports for your child prior to their first day, if the school has not arranged one.

- Support your child's transition.**
 - **Tour the school** and classroom with your child.
 - Request **pictures of the school** to make a social story book for your child, if appropriate.
 - You can request that someone from the school **observe your child** at Cornerstone. This could be the special education teacher or school psychologist.

- Additional resources:**
 - Consider applying for the **Medicaid Waiver** for additional supports outside of school, if you have not already done so.
 - **Visit insource.org** for more information about IEPs and parent and student rights.

This list is not meant to be all-inclusive and is not intended as legal advice. Consider reaching out to an advocate for more information specific to your child's needs.