2010 Wisconsin Statewide Summary of Post High School Outcomes Survey of 2008-2009 Exiters with Disabilities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The major outcomes of the 2010 Wisconsin Statewide Post High School Outcomes Survey are summarized below. This survey focuses on youth with disabilities who exited high school with a diploma, a certificate of attendance, reached maximum age of eligibility for services, or dropped out of high school during the 2008-2009 school year and have been out of school for one year. The results are organized around three areas of interest.

INDEPENDENT LIVING

Assesses living arrangements and general community participation and supports

- 76% of respondents continue to live at home with their parents.
- 21% of respondents live independently.
- 87% of respondents report participating in a leisure activity within the last six months.
- 63% of respondents have a valid driver's license.

POST SECONDARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Assesses participation in any type of formal postsecondary education or training since leaving high school.

- 48% of respondents are or have completed at least one term in a higher education or other postsecondary education or training program within the year since leaving high school.
 - 6% of respondents attend a 2-year college or community college.
 - 10% of respondents attend a 4-year college or university.
 - 25% of respondents attend a 2-year public technical college.
 - 2% of respondents attend a High School Completion program, including a GED program.
 - 3% of respondents attend a Vocational/Technical school or program.
 - 5% of respondents attend a Short-Term education Job training or Short-Term education or employment training program.
 - 1% of respondents participate in a Church Mission or other Humanitarian Program.
 - 1% of respondents attend any other type of formal education or program since leaving high school.

EMPLOYMENT

Assesses competitive and other employment, job setting, wages and benefits

- **46%** of respondents are or have been competitively employed leaving high school. (This means they are working for pay at or above minimum wage in a setting with others who are nondisabled for a period of 20 hours per week for at least 90 days).
 - 66% of respondents have been employed for 90 days.
 - 11% of respondents have worked within the year since leaving high school, but for less than 90 days.
 - 22% of respondents have not been employed since leaving high school.

Of the respondents who are or have been employed for pay:

- 98% of respondents are employed in the community.
- 43% work 35 hours or more per week.
- 29% work 20 to 34 hours per week.
- 6% earn less than minimum wage.
- 65% earn between current minimum wage and \$10.00 per hour.
- 18% earn between \$10.00 and \$15.00 per hour.
- 4% earn above \$15.00 per hour.

Of the currently employed respondents:

- **39%** have received a raise in pay.
- 22% receive benefits at their place of employment.

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- **39%** HIGHER EDUCATION Respondents who have been enrolled on a full- or part-time basis in a community or technical college (2-year program), or a college or university (4-year program) for at least one complete term, at any time in the year since leaving high school.
- 27% COMPETITIVELY EMPLOYED Respondents who have worked for pay at or above minimum wage in a setting with others who are nondisabled for a period of 20 hours per week for at least 90 days (including military employment) and have not have not completed at least one term in a higher education program at any time in the year since leaving high school.
- 2% OTHER POSTSECONDARY Respondents who have been enrolled on a full- or part-time basis for at least one complete term, at any time in the year in an education or training program and have not completed at least one term in a higher education program or been competitively employed at any time in the year since leaving high school.
- 11% OTHER EMPLOYMENT Respondents who have worked for pay or been self-employed for a period of at least 90 days and have not have not completed at least one term in a higher education or other postsecondary program, or been competitively employed, at any time in the year since leaving high school. This includes working in a family business.
- 20% NOT ENGAGED Respondents who have: (a) not completed at least one term in higher education program or other postsecondary education or training; (b) never been competitively or otherwise employed; (c) have been underemployed; (d) have missing data elements.
- 39% comprise MEASURE A which includes higher education respondents.
- 67% comprise MEASURE B which includes higher education and competitively employed respondents.
- **80%** comprise MEASURE C which includes higher education, competitively employed, other postsecondary education, and other employed respondents.