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Berrien RESA's Project SEARCH Program to Host Information Session for Transition Students *Application window is now open*

- What:** Project SEARCH Open House
- Who:** High School students with Individual Education Plans (IEPs) who are ready to transition from the classroom to the workforce
- Where:** Berrien RESA's Administrative Conference Center
711 St. Joseph Ave.
Berrien Springs, MI 49103
- When:** **Tuesday, March 7, 2017**
6-7:30 p.m.

In case of inclement weather: Cancellation information will be posted on Berrien RESA's website, www.berrienresa.org.

- Brief:** High School students with Individual Education Plans (IEPs) and their parents/guardians are invited to an information session about Project SEARCH on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 from 6-7:30 p.m. at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph in Upton Room 4. The evening will highlight program objectives, describe the application process and showcase student experiences. To RSVP for the information session, please call (269) 471-7725 ext. 1184 by March 3.

The Project SEARCH Program application window for interested students is now open. Applications are due March 24, 2017. Families do not need to attend the Open House to apply. Applications can be found online at www.berrienresa.org.

Berrien RESA's Project SEARCH High School Transition Program is a unique, business led, one year school-to-work program that takes place entirely at the workplace. Total workplace immersion facilitates a seamless combination of classroom instruction, career exploration, and hands-on training through work-site rotations. For Berrien County, the site is located at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph.

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Project SEARCH partners include the Bureau of Services for Blind Persons, Disability Network of Southwest Michigan, Lakeland Health, Michigan Rehabilitation Services and Riverwood Center.

To learn more about the program, visit www.berrienresa.org.

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