

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

High School	College
▪ Right by law to go to school	No given right
▪ Many tests & quizzes	Fewer tests & quizzes
▪ Extra-credit work allowed	Not much extra-credit work
▪ Allowed to retake or redo work	Rarely allowed to retake or redo
▪ Teachers discuss test material	Rarely discuss test material
▪ Instruction modes are varied	Instruction is usually lecture
▪ Teachers reach out to students	Students reach out to teachers and others
▪ Assignments are structured	Assignments are less structured
▪ Receive credit for motivation	Grades based on a few tests
▪ Teachers trained to teach	Professors not teaching method
▪ Student progress is monitored	Students monitor own progress
▪ Class attendance is mandatory	Attendance seldom mandatory
▪ Family and faculty available	Support system is often limited
▪ Courses last 18 weeks	Some courses last 14 weeks
▪ Class sizes are often small	Class sizes are often large
▪ Schools must test and identify disability	No obligation to test or identify disabilities
▪ Must evaluate if suspect disability	No obligation to evaluate
▪ Must develop IEP and monitor	Student develops own plan
▪ Must alter courses	Not required to alter courses
▪ Must provide waivers or substitutions	No right to fundamental changes
▪ Right to due process hearing	May file a grievance; it is not a right