

Are you ready to build your future? MTI 2025 is a unique opportunity for DeafBlind teens to gain independence, confidence, and self-advocacy skills while having fun and connecting with peers! This year's theme will be **Expect**, **Engage and Empower**. This weekend is designed to help you:

- ✓ Explore Your Future! Learn about employment, college, and independent living through hands-on activities.
- ✓ Set High Expectations! Create a person-centered plan and be prepared for future success!
- \checkmark Get Engaged in the process of planning for the future with other young adults.
- \checkmark Learn from DeafBlind Mentors who experience and can help guide you on your path.
- ✓ Empower Yourself! Gain skills in self-advocacy, decision-making, and leadership to take control of your journey.
- \checkmark Connect with other families and build a network of support.
- \checkmark Experience fun activities, team challenges, and more!

Who can participate? Young adults who are DeafBlind, age 16 through 22 and their parent/guardian. Candidates will be language users (with or without devices), able to engage in group activities for at least 30 minutes at a time, and able to stay overnight in a dorm-type setting.

In-Person Events: In-person activities include person-centered planning meetings, self-advocacy role playing, deaf-blind mentor panels, and experiences with campus life, including a pool party at the campus student recreation center.

Virtual Activities: Prior to the weekend there will be a zoom session with deafblind mentors and a second session on what a Support Service Provider is and how to work with them. After the weekend, action plan follow-up will occur with individual state deafblind projects.

This event is hosted by Midwest State DeafBlind Projects, HKNC, and NCDB—bringing you expert guidance and the latest transition resources. **Spots are limited! Don't miss out—sign up today!**

Contact WDBTAP at wdbtap@wesp-dhh.wi.gov for more information or to register.



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