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This school year, we have established a new special education program at Lacey Township High School. This program is specifically designed to meet the unique needs of our students who are between the ages of 18 and 21 and are preparing to transition from school to adulthood. The ultimate goal is to provide these students with the necessary life skills for independent living to the greatest extent possible based on their individual disabilities.

To establish this program, we added an additional teacher to work directly with the students in the 18-21 range. We've also added an additional school psychologist to case manage the program. The biggest addition is the renovation of one of our instructional spaces to create a Life Skills Room. This room will basically be a mock studio apartment with a full kitchen, washer/dryer, and living area (couch, bed, dining table). Skills developed in this space will include cooking, cleaning, laundry, leisure skills, job skills, hygiene, and more.

This renovation was a capital improvement project that is currently close to being completed. The next step is to outfit the room with daily living supplies such as, plates, utensils, linens, small appliances, leisure activities, etc. We will also need consumable items such as cleaning supplies and food to prepare. The team recently met and developed the following list of items that will be needed for the students to start using the room.

- Cookware - Pots, pans, etc.
- Bakeware - Cookie sheets, cake pans, etc.
- Cooking/Baking Utensils - Spatulas, wooden spoons, etc.
- Place Settings - Dishes, bowls, utensils, etc.
- Air Fryer
- Microwave
- Slow Cooker
- Toaster
- Coffee Pot
- Food Processor
- Vacuum
- Cleaning Supplies - Dish/laundry detergent, mop, broom, etc.
- Personal Hygiene - Soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.
- Food (to develop basic culinary skills)