

# Register Now

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE at: <https://odup2017.shutterfly.com/od2lbhs>

For assistance with registration including available scholarship funding for parents/student, please contact:

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★ **Registration Deadline: June 9, 2017**

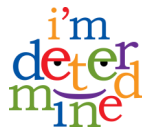
## HOTEL INFORMATION

A limited block of rooms has been reserved at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Richmond-Midlothian for participants needing overnight lodging. To reserve a single/double room at the government-rate of **\$91.00 per night** plus tax, please contact the DoubleTree by Hilton, Richmond-Midlothian and mention "**VCU/Opening Doors**" by **5:00 p.m. June 6, 2017**. Lodging availability cannot be guaranteed after the lodging deadline date.

- Parents may be eligible for travel support. Please contact Kristen Stahr for information: Voice (804) 828-9920 or [khstahr@vcu.edu](mailto:khstahr@vcu.edu).
- Virginia TODHH are advised to check information on the ODUP2017 website/ TODHH tab for information about possible lodging reimbursement.

## HOTEL ADDRESS/CONTACT INFORMATION

**DoubleTree by Hilton Richmond-Midlothian**  
1021 Koger Center Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23235  
(804) 379-3800



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# Opening Doors to Life Beyond High School

## Pre-session to Opening Doors - Unlocking Potential 2017



3rd Annual State-wide Event for Rising 8th to Class of 2017 Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Parents and Educators who work with Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2017

9:30 A.M. - 3:45 P.M.

Double Tree by Hilton • Richmond-Midlothian, VA

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## OPENING DOORS TO LIFE BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

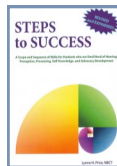
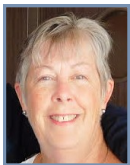
### ABOUT THIS THIRD ANNUAL TRANSITION FOCUSED EVENT

Opening Doors to Life Beyond High School (OD2LBHS) returns for a third year to provide activities and training specifically designed to address the unique needs of students who are rising 8<sup>th</sup> graders to the new Class of 2017 grads who are deaf and hard of hearing, their parents and educators in Virginia to promote self-determination skills of students who are d/hh for improved success in post-secondary outcomes.

**Students** will have 3 exciting interactive sessions led by the Gallaudet University Regional Center-South Outreach Team. The day will be filled with fun Youth Empowerment activities as students learn about themselves and how they relate to others in school and the wider community.

**Parents** will have sessions featuring important information on Virginia agency and other resources of importance to transition-age students.

**Professionals** will receive *Steps to Success: A Scope and Sequence of Skills for Students who are D/HH: Perceptions, Processing, Self-Knowledge, and Advocacy Development* (revised and expanded 2016) and all day training by author Lynne Price.



9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Registration/Exhibits				
10:00 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.	Welcome/Opening Speaker				
10:35 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Exhibits				
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	<b>Session One</b>				
	<i>Students</i>	<i>Youth Empowerment (Part 1)</i>			
	<i>Parents</i>	<i>I'm Determined /Transition IEP</i>			
	<i>Professionals</i>	<i>Steps to Success</i>			
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch/Exhibits				
Parents		Students	Professionals		
1:00 - 1:55	What's Out There	1:00 - 1:55	YE (Part 2)	1:00 - 1:55	StS 2
1:55 - 2:15	Break/Exhibits	1:55 - 2:15	Break/Exhibits	1:55 - 2:15	Break/Exhibits
2:15 - 2:55	Life Beyond HS	2:15 - 2:55	YE (Part 3)	2:15 - 2:55	StS 3
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Closing General Session/Door Prize Drawing				
3:30 p.m. - 3:50 p.m.	Exhibits				
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	<i>Optional Exhibitor Sessions</i>				

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Fee (includes materials, lunch and refreshments)

- Student + One Parent/Guardian..... \$15.00
  - One additional adult family member..... \$ 5.00
- VA Public School/State Agency Professional..... \$25.00
- Private Agency/Out-of-State Registration Fee..... \$75.00

All student participants must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Due to space limitations, no more than 2 adults may accompany each student.

**NOTE:** Child care is not available for this event.

For more information, please contact:

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