thorough assessment of the various issues going on with their daughter and a short term intervention, Cottonwood is a good choice. Cottonwood has a comprehensive and clinically intensive program that heavily involves the family. Families who are looking for a best practices clinical program that includes other innovative approaches would be happy with Cottonwood.

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THE COLLEGE PROGRAM

West Virginia Autism Training center
Marshall University
Huntington, West Virginia
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The College Program for Students with Asperger's Syndrome was developed by the West Virginia Autism Training Center at Marshall University to provide students with Asperger's Syndrome or high functioning autism with academic, social and life skills supports. The overall goal is to develop strategies based on the student's individual needs and assist him/ her in successfully earning a college degree so they are prepared to enter a preferred job market and live a productive, independent and quality life.

The College Program utilizes a model of positive behavior support and aides each student and their family in participating in person-centered planning activities well before the first semester. The team implementing the student's support plan will use the Planning Alternative Tomorrows with Hope (PATH) or Making Action Plans (MAP) as the framework for planning larger goals that may lead to competitive employment and independent living upon graduation. These supports systematically fade out as the student acquires more independence. Students have assigned "check in" times to meet with program staff to review their schedules, discuss concerns, receive tutoring and celebrate successes.

Students receive academic supports that utilize the learning strengths, abilities and interests of the student. Students are provided with staff and peer tutors who receive training related to Asperger's Syndrome with specific information about the unique characteristics and learning styles of participating students.

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