What Does This Mean for Me?

During this lesson you have been discussing some of the differences between high school and college. As you plan for postsecondary education, it is important to begin to understand the different kinds of supports you have received in high school from teachers and parents and to think ahead about the supports you will need in college. Many community colleges, colleges, and universities provide a wide range of supports, but they may look very different than what you have experienced in kindergarten through 12th grade. Additionally, some types of resources and supports that you have used in the past may simply not be available in postsecondary settings. In these situations, you will need to go to college with a plan for how to address this change.

Use this worksheet to think about the types of resources and supports you are accustomed to receiving in high school from teachers, parents, and peers. For each of these supports, indicate whether you think they will be available in college. If so, how and from whom do you think they will be accessed? If you do not know, indicate how you plan to find out. An example has been provided for you:

Right now I receive	In college I will need	What are my questions about this specific type of support?	Who/what will help me find an answer?	By what date will I find this information?	What did I learn?
Extra time on all tests	I will want to see if I can start having extra time on all my tests. I know I will need it on tests that have essays, but I'm not sure about others.	Is extra time on tests an accommodation that is available in college? If so, how can I access it?	I will first check the Disability Support Services office website at the college I want to attend. If I don't find it there, I will call the office using the contact number on the website.	Next Friday	

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