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Elizabeth Hamblet to Speak at H.B. Whitehorne

"Getting College Right: Preparing Students with Disabilities for the College World" will be presented by Elizabeth Hamblet, published author and Learning Specialist at Columbia University, **on February 7, 2013,** in the **H.B. Whitehorne Middle School auditorium, 600 Bloomfield Ave., Verona** at **7:00 p.m.** Co-sponsored by the Department of Special Services and C.H.I.L.D., the program is free to all who attend. High school students and their parents from Verona and surrounding communities are encouraged to come.

Having worked as a Learning Disabilities Specialist at the post-secondary level for over a decade, Ms. Hamblet is uniquely qualified to explain the laws governing access to disability services at the college level and how they differ from those in place for high school students. Her program will focus on the student's responsibility for applying for services, colleges' rights to approve or deny accommodations students might have had throughout their education, and how the freedom of the college environment may present challenges to students. She will also offer college search/planning tips and suggestions to families.

Ms. Hamblet's book, *7 Steps for Success: High School to College Transition Strategies for Students with Disabilities*, will be available for purchase that evening.