Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS): What Do Transition-Age Youth Need to Know?



What are Pre-ETS?

Pre-ETS are services available to students with disabilities to help better prepare them for postschool competitive integrated employment and postsecondary education.

Who Can Get Pre-ETS?



Transition-age youth with disabilities who are eligible or "potentially eligible" for Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) services can receive Pre-ETS to help better prepare them for their future.

What Does "Eligibility" Include?

Eligibility for Pre-ETS include: a). students who are receiving transition services through an individualized education program (IEP), b). students with disabilities who have a 504 plan, and c). students with disabilities who don't have transition services or a 504 plan.



Who Provides Pre-ETS?

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity

Act of 2014 specified that at least 15% of VR funding be applied toward transition-age youth with disabilities. Pre-ETS are provided by staff at a VR agency or purchased through a vendor such as Community Rehabilitation Providers (CRPs).

What Types of Pre-ETS are Available?

There are five categories of Pre-ETS which include Job Exploration Counseling, Work-Based Learning Experiences, Workplace Readiness Training, Instruction in Self-Advocacy, and Counseling on Postsecondary Education Opportunities.



Who Can Help with Getting Pre-ETS?

Pre-ETS are provided collaboratively with the help of schools, educators, adult service agencies such as VR or CRPs, local community businesses and Institutes of Higher Education.

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