



Virginia Intercommunity Transition Council
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Transition Services for Students with Disabilities

WORK FORCE SERVICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Virginia Workforce Network

Virginia Workforce Network (VWN) <http://vwn.vccs.edu/>, is a system of career development, business and educational partners and agencies that seek to connect Virginians to opportunities that help them develop a better career. Through the VWN, individuals receive support, education and training that prepare them for the jobs of today and tomorrow and businesses are connected to a skilled and prepared work force.

Who provides work force transition services under VWN?

Workforce transitional services are provided through two avenues, WIA One-Stop Centers and Youth Programs.

One-Stop Career Centers

A One-Stop Workforce Center is a location where a wide range of employment, training, and career education program services are available to employers, workers, and job seekers. Learn more about the services offered at One Stop Workforce Centers or [click here to find a One Stop in your area](#).

Services

The three levels of services, available to customers (18 & above), within the One-Stop Workforce Center are: core, intensive, and training.

Core or self-service job search assistance is offered to all job seekers. Examples of Core services offered include access to computers, internet, labor market information, and employment related workshops.

Intensive or individualized service is offered to job seekers who need additional assistance to obtain employment. Intensive service is contingent on program eligibility requirements and funding limitations. Examples of intensive services offered include case management, assessment, and career planning.

Training is offered to job seekers who are receiving intensive services and need training to reach employment goals. Training is contingent on program eligibility requirements and funding limitations. Examples of training services include adult education and literacy, occupational skills training, and job readiness training.

Individuals who are interested in receiving intensive or training services must enroll in the Adult or Dislocated Worker Program. The Adult and Dislocated Worker programs are designed to provide quality employment and training services to assist eligible individuals in finding and qualifying for meaningful employment, and to help employers find the skilled workers they need to compete and succeed in business.

Dislocated Workers are eligible workers who have been laid off or terminated through no fault of their own or have received an official layoff notice.

Adults are defined as job seekers, 18 or older who are unemployed or underemployed. In certain areas, where funding is limited, priority of service is given to recipients of public assistance and individuals who are low-income.

Job Seekers

¿Qué es el Centro de Carreras de Una Sola Parada?

Contact Information

Find services in your region

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Youth Programs

The Virginia Workforce Council's [vision](#) is for the Commonwealth's youth to be a well educated emerging work force with a strong foundation of basic skills, thinking skills and personal qualities with competencies to be effective workers.

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title I-B Youth Program provides services to low-income youth, ages 14-21, who face barriers to employment. Youth gain access to WIA services through local One-Stop Centers throughout the state.

Program Features

The youth services are based in the following four WIA themes:

1. Improving Educational Achievement,
2. Preparation for and Success in Employment,
3. Support for Youth, and
4. Services to Develop the Potential of Youth as Citizens and Leaders.

Every youth participant must develop a service strategy, with the assistance of Virginia's WIA youth service providers, which prepare them for a successful transition to the work force and society. Service strategies, developed by Virginia's work force providers, prepare youth for employment and/or postsecondary education through strong linkages between academic and occupational learning.

Strategies must incorporate one or more of the ten required WIA youth program elements. These elements are:

1. tutoring, study skills training, and dropout prevention strategies;
2. alternative secondary school offerings;
3. summer employment opportunities;
4. paid and unpaid work experiences;
5. occupational skills training;
6. leadership development opportunities;
7. supportive services;
8. adult mentoring for at least twelve months;
9. follow-up services; and
10. comprehensive guidance and counseling.

Resources

Technical Assistance Resources – latest information on WIA-related youth programs

Toolkit for Effective Front-line Services to Youth

Program Guidance For Implementation of Comprehensive Youth ...

Recipes for Success: Youth Council Guide to Creating a Youth Development System Under WIA, Technical Assistance Guide, July 2000

Attachments

ContactWIA Youth Service Provider List

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Resources

[What is a One-Stop Workforce Center?](#)

[WIA Technical Assistance](#)

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ASK, LISTEN, RESPECT, COMMIT!