VRS Student Career Services: Two Levels of Support

Introductory Career Services “Pre-ETS Only”

Which VRS Staff Coordinates These Services?
Your school’s Pre-ETS Representative is:
Lauren Srdar:
lauren.srdar@state.mn.us, 612-360-3722

What are the Services?
May include any of the 5 Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS) as needed:
- Job Exploration
- Work Experiences
- Training and College Exploration
- Work-Readiness Training
- Self-Advocacy Training

How Long Can a Student Receive Services?
Services available ONLY while enrolled in school.

Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Career Services “Pre-ETS Plus”

Which VRS Staff Coordinates These Services?
Your school’s VR Counselor is:
Anna Pietsch:
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What are the Services?
May include any of the 5 Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS) plus extra services and supports as needed (i.e. coaching to support a work experience).
Plus supports after high school graduation to help with:
- Postsecondary education or training
- Finding a job
- Keeping a job

How Long Can a Student Receive Services?
As long as needed. Also, people at any age can apply or re-apply for services.

Which Students Should be Referred?
- Students with IEPs, 504 plans, or other medical/mental health documentation
- Students ages 14-21 can apply to either program at any time

Contact the VRS Pre-ETS Representative or VR Counselor who are happy to consult about how to partner and which path is best for each student.

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