A Roadmap to Competitive Integrated Employment

Decide: Do YOU Want to Work

Find Your Allies
People who will help you achieve your goals

Discover what work is best for YOU

Explore what education and training you need to prepare for your job- and Enroll

School
Department of Rehabilitation
Regional Center
America Job Center/One Stop

Find out where YOU can find a job

Education and Training

What else do YOU need?
Housing?
Money?
Transportation?
Friends and Recreation
Health and Medical Services?

Decide what help YOU need to find and keep a job
Preventing Youth for College, Career and Life Success

**CAREER AWARENESS**
Learn about a Wide Variety of Jobs and Careers.

*Primary Purpose:* Explore options in order to foster motivation, consideration of opportunities, and informed decision-making.

*Classroom and School*
- *Self-Advocacy Instruction*
- *Core Academic Preparation*
- *Career Interest Assessments*
- Web research of careers, interests
- *Career Contextual Instruction*
- *College Awareness*
- *Soft Skills (Employment Skills Instruction)*
- *Work-Based Learning*
- *Career/Job Fairs*
- *Informational Interviews*
- *Service Learning*
- *Youth Entrepreneurship*
- *Career Speakers*

*Starts in K-8 Grades*
*Pre-Employment Transition Services*

**CAREER EXPLORATION**
Explore, Research and Plan for the Future

*Primary Purpose* Learning through real experiences in order to reinforce academics, promote higher-order thinking, promote personal development and deepen career and workplace related knowledge.

*Classroom and School*
- *Core academic preparation*
- *Career Pathway Courses and*
- *Student Organizations*
- *Integrated Curriculum*
- *Career Plan Development*
- *Career Focused Projects,*
- *Career and College Exploration*
- *Job Exploration Counseling*

*Starts in early High School*

**CAREER PREPARATION**
Gain Work Experience, Education and Training

*Primary Purpose*
Preparing to enter a specific career or job of interest

*Classroom and School*
- *Core Academic Preparation*
- *Career Technical Programs/courses*
- *Career Related Project Based Learning*
- *Student Competitions/Leadership*
- *Work-Based Learning*
- *Portfolio*
- *Career and Education Plan*
- *Career Development Instruction*
- *Reflection and Planning*

*Work-Based Learning*
- *Work Experience / Customized Employment*
- *Informational Interviews*
- *Paid and Unpaid Internships, Apprenticeships*
- *Volunteer Experiences*
- *Career Mentor*

*Starts in grades 11-13*

**PRODUCTIVE FUTURE**

Educated!
Experienced!
Engaged!
Aware!
Skilled!
Connected!
Prepared!

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