# WELCOME TO DVR



## **New Mexico DVR**

- The New Mexico Department of Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) works together with students, families, schools and community agencies and organizations to provide services that promote successful transitions from school to work and into adult life.
- Beginning at age 14, students with disabilities can connect with VR for Pre-Employment Transition Services "Pre-ETS". VR counselor works with students, their families, their schools and community partners to help make informed decisions about their future.
- DVR supports School-to-work transition planning-through assisting students transitioning from high school to college and/or job placement.





# How can DVR Help me????







## **Job Exploration Counseling**



- Together, we will explore your interests, values and abilities to look at what careers might be a good fit.
- We will learn what it takes to work in the field you choose. Education? Training?
- We will discover much money will you make in this field.
- Together, we will look to see what the future is for this filed of work.
- And, we will discuss where you find out more to make decisions about your future.



# **Work Based Learning**

DVR may be able to help set up:

- Volunteer or Paid Work Experience
- Internships
- Apprenticeships

# Counseling on Enrollment for

### **Post-Secondary Education**

With the help of a counselor, you will decide what education you need to get the job you want.

 A counselor is available to discuss and help Apply for Financial Aid/Scholarships.

A counselor will assist to help discover schools that offer the program you need and apply to your school of choice.

Discuss with a counselor whether you need to prepare for the ACT/Compass.

► Graduate High School with the support you need to get the job you want!



## **Instruction in Self Advocacy**



- Self Care
- Goal Setting
- **Communication**
- ► Learn about Assistive Technology
- Discover Accommodations in the Workplace & Post Secondary Education











## **Work-Place Readiness Training**

Together we will learn about:

- Interview skills
- Resumes
- Dressing for work
- Communication Skills
- Interview skills
- Social Skills
- Decision making
- Time management
- Work Ethics
- Creativity
- Attitude



## WHERE DO I START?

#### **Transition Services Process**

- Complete Release of Information to begin Pre-Employment transition services.
- Documentation of grade completion provided yearly

#### **VR Services Process**

- Complete Client Referral & Release of Information for school records to be submitted to DVR.
- Once the Client Referral is received, student and/or family will be contacted by DVR staff within 48 hours to schedule an Initial Intake.





### RESOURCES





#### http://www.tap.gcd.state.nm.us

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#### **Disabilities Planning Counsel-Guardian Ship**

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Phone: 505-476-7332 or 800-311-2229 <a href="http://www.nmddpc.com">http://www.nmddpc.com</a>

# New Mexico Workforce Connection

https://www.jobs.state.nm.us/vos
net/Default.aspx

The FAFSA student financial aid <a href="https://fafsa.ed.gov">https://fafsa.ed.gov</a>

The ARC of New Mexico Guardianship

https://www.arcnm.org

For the disabled, **Bookshare** leverages the collections of individuals who scan books. Braille books and tools for downloading. Offers free memberships to U.S. schools <a href="https://www.bookshare.org">www.bookshare.org</a>

Job Corps is a free education and training program that helps young people learn a career, earn a high school diploma or GED, and find and keep a good job. www.jobcorps.gov

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan for the State of New Mexico is available online at:

http://www.dws.state.nm.us/WIOA-Policy-Plans-Annual-Reports

**Developmental Disability Supports Division** 

http://archive.nmhealth.org/ddsd/DDWaiverImplementation.htm



**Questions????** 

#### **VIDEOS**

- ► Brian https://vimeo.com/161693963
- ► The interviewer: www.youtube.com/watch?v=wT9PdS9hPFs
- Assistive Dogs of West Program Taos https://drive.google.com/a/assistancedogsofthewest.org/file/d/086xG6mByj PusR0NiUURNUIpmSFk/view?usp=sharing
- Project Search https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8juNYG6nP1U&feature=youtu.be
- Rio Rancho Video http://krqe.com/2017/06/10/rio-rancho-man-with-autisn proves-to-be-a-star-employee/
- Rando Best Movie https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdD5I6LSKxQ
- Good Samaritan Project Search: https://animoto.com/play/ve5eUP9vqQRJ4Z9tRjuJ
- Project Search NM video https://animoto.com/play/0AHIOOElYbe0Xe9KUEH5e2