Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)

Overview

<u>TWC</u> is the state agency charged with overseeing and providing workforce development services to employers and job seekers of Texas. <u>Texas Workforce Solutions-Vocational Rehabilitation</u> <u>Services (TWS-VRS)</u> operates under TWC and TWS to support youth and adults with disabilities. TWS-VRS is the state agency whose primary focus is to assist people with disabilities in obtaining integrated, competitive employment.

Key Services for Students with Disabilities

TWS-VRS services may include vocational counseling, evaluation and assessment, guidance and assistance with job placement, time-limited job coaching, training programs, technology services, and vehicle and home modifications.

TWS-VRS offers the following programs for students:

Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS)

- Vocational counseling, including counseling in job exploration and postsecondary training opportunities
- Counseling on opportunities for postsecondary education such as college, vocational schools, etc.
- Work-based learning experiences, including internships and on-the-job training
- Training in workplace and employer expectations
- Training in self-advocacy and social skills

Other services

- Medical, psychological, and vocational assessments
- Assistive technologies, including screen reader software, computer equipment, and other items
- o Job matching and placement services
- Transportation assistance to and from a job, college, or certification program
- Referral to other state, federal, and community agencies and organizations

Resources

Pre-ETS Catalog

Pre-ETS Fact Sheet

TWS-VRS Office Locator