

BUREAU OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Information for Middle and High School Students and Families

We're here to help!

We help **students who have disabilities** and need help preparing for, getting, or keeping a **JOB**. BVR will work with you, your family, and your school to set up a plan to get you where you want to go.

Go to college

Attend a technical or trade school

Get a job

Where do I start?

1. CONTACT BVR! Learn more about the program and services you may be eligible to receive. The first thing you need to do is complete an application for BVR. You can get this application from your teacher, your school counselor, or by calling the BVR office directly.
2. GET TO KNOW YOUR COUNSELOR. Your BVR counselor will be your go-to person for everything you need from BVR. Your counselor will help you explore the different careers and jobs available in your community that best match your strengths, abilities, and interests.
3. KNOW WHAT'S AVAILABLE. Here are some of the services BVR can pay for/provide:
 Assistive technology needed for work Job coaching Job placement Tuberculosis (TB) tests Uniforms Work cards
4. PARTICIPATE WHILE IN SCHOOL. BVR provides instruction and work experience called Pre-Employment Services for students to explore employment options.

When should I start the BVR process?

Generally, **BVR services start during the last 2 years of high school**. However, if you enter a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program, services may start as early as **age 14** so BVR can provide you with support during the program. Just remember:

- It is up to you and your IEP team to start the process.
- BVR is here to help you when you are ready!



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CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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Want college credits and access to a high-demand, high-skill, high-wage career?



What is Career and Technical Education (CTE)?

CTE is a course of study in an occupational area open to all students that:

- Focuses on hands-on and project-oriented learning
- Prepares students to be both college and career ready
- Provides a variety of work-based learning experiences
- **Provides Pre-Employment Services**
- Teaches employability and leadership skills

What are CTE program areas and example occupations?

Occupational Areas

- Information & Media Technologies.....
- Skilled & Technical Sciences

Sample Professions

 Agriculture, Food, Natural Resources...... botanist, food scientist, veterinary technician Business & Marketing Education..... accountant, business owner, office manager • Education, Hospitality, Human Services..... chef, hotel manager, social worker, teacher

 Health Science & Public Safety firefighter, nursing assistant, pharmacy technician cybersecurity, database administrator, web designer

automotive technician, engineer, welder

How do I get into a CTE program of study?

- Attend CTE, Magnet, or Signature program presentations and apply in 8th grade, if available
- Talk with your counselor about CTE courses offered at your school
- Register with your counselor for a level-one course

Students participating in CTE:

- Are prepared for high-demand, high-skill, high-wage occupations
- Demonstrate college and career readiness
- Earn CTE endorsement on diploma and CTE Certificate of Skill Attainment
- May receive college credit upon completion
- Score higher on high stakes tests
- With Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), graduate with standard diplomas at higher rates

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