

California Department of Rehabilitation

Student Services and Post High School Transition

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Overview

DOR Student Services helps students prepare for workplace success by exploring options, getting ready for work, and creating careers.

Requirements

- Must be between the ages of 16-21
- Enrolled in an education program
- Have an IEP, 504 Plan or a Disability

Student Services



Job Exploration
Counseling



Postsecondary
Counseling



Self-Advocacy
Training



Workplace
Readiness
Training



Work-Based
Learning
Experiences

Job Exploration Counseling



Job Exploration counseling offers ways to learn about the different kind of jobs and which ones are best for your strengths and interests

- Learn about the jobs and job families in the labor market
- Understand what jobs and industries are popular right now
- Find out what jobs pay good wages
- Explore career interest through interest inventories, conversations, and labor market research
- Understand what you need to do to get the career you want (training, degrees, experience...)

Postsecondary Counseling



Helps you learn about different educational programs available and resources to support your educational success

- Explore career options available through different programs
- Find out what degrees or credentials you may need for the career you want
- Receive assistance with applying to colleges and universities as well as technical and trade schools
- Get support in completing application for federal student aid (FAFSA)
- Identify options to pay for school

Self-Advocacy Training



Helps you gain confidence in your educational and professional environments, and understand what you need to succeed in the workplace

- Understanding your rights at work
- Learn about accommodations and supports and how to request them
- Practice communicating thoughts, needs, and concerns

Workplace Readiness Training



Helps you prepare for employment by learning good work habits and interpersonal skills and developing independent living skills.

- Practice Interviewing
- Understand employer expectations
- Work on social skills related to work
- Learn how to search for and apply for jobs

Work-based Learning Experience



Offers a variety of ways get real-world work experience.

- Volunteer Opportunities
- Work site tours to learn about industries, companies, and job skills
- Paid Work Experience!
 - 100 Hours
 - Job sites will vary

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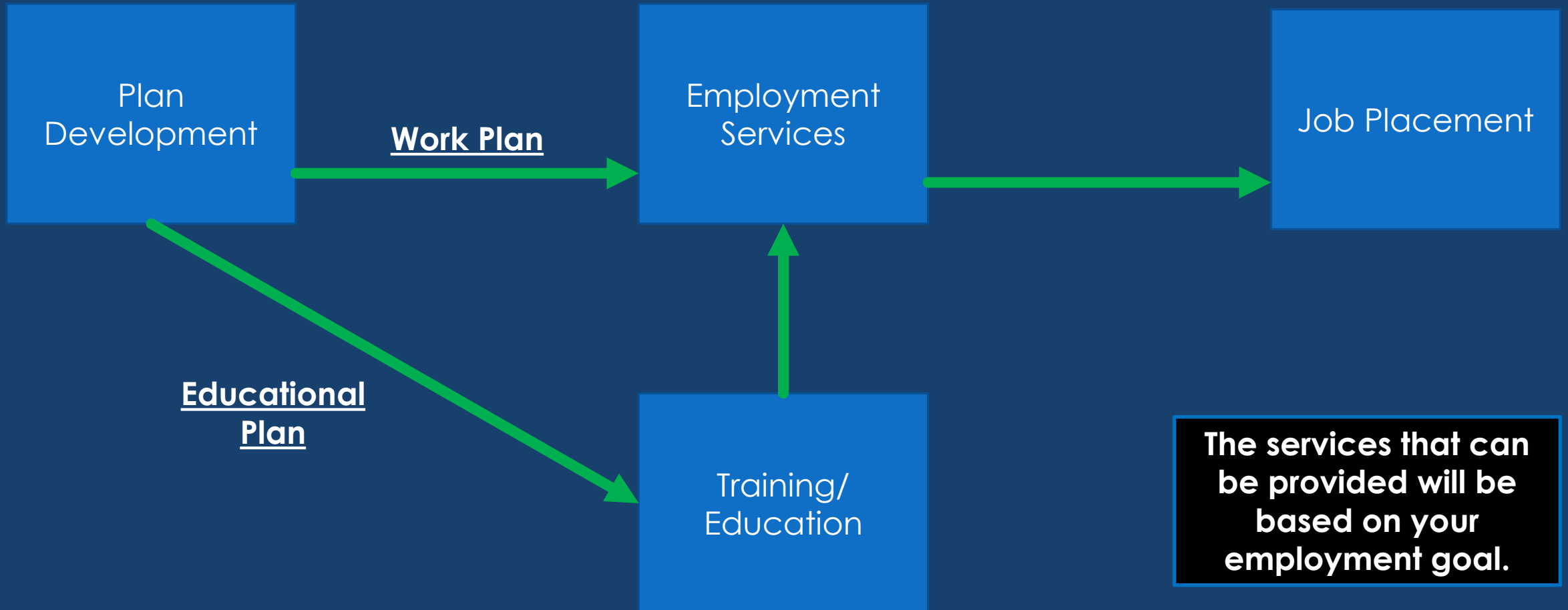
General Services

- The Student Services program is limited to only the five previous options listed
- After graduation case can transition to a Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) caseload
- A VR case can provide A LOT more services

Application Process



Plan Development



Services

Educational Plan

- Assistance paying for tuition
- Required books and supplies
- Laptop if needed
- Student work experience (until 21)

Work Plan

- Counseling and Guidance
- Job search and placement assistance
- Interview Prep
- On the job Training
- Transportation

How to Get Started



<https://dor.ca.gov/Home/GettingStarted>

Q&A!

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