Contract with Vocational Rehabilitation to provide Pre-Employment Transition Services to students with disabilities

Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) is offering a new fee-for-service contract for the provision of Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS). Any public secondary school district (LEAs) in Oregon may apply. This contract replaces what used to be called the Youth Transition Program (YTP) Grant.

Contract Request window opens February 26, 2024, and closes March 25, 2024.

What are Pre-ETS?

Pre-ETS are services for students with disabilities ages 14 to 21 that help them prepare for the transition from school to adult life. VR relies on Oregon’s public schools to provide individualized services in five required areas:

1. Job exploration counseling.
2. Work-based learning experiences, which may include in-school or after-school opportunities or experience outside the traditional school setting (including internships). Experiences must be provided in an integrated environment to the maximum extent possible.
3. Counseling on opportunities for enrollment in comprehensive transition or postsecondary educational programs at institutions of higher education.
4. Workplace readiness training to develop social skills and independent living.
5. Instruction in self-advocacy, including peer mentoring.

Contract details

- Pre-ETS will be billable at a rate of $50 per hour.
• Contract period is July 1, 2024 – Sept. 31, 2025.

• The contract is open to any public secondary LEA in Oregon. You do not need to be a current contractor for the Youth Transition Program (YTP).

Who qualifies for Pre-ETS?

Pre-ETS are available to students with disabilities who are 14 – 21 years old and who are potentially eligible or already eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation (VR), have requested such services, and been verified and authorized by VR staff to receive these services.

How do I apply?

VR will publish required materials for the application on its Resources for VR Youth Services Partners web page in late February. LEAs will have until March 25 to submit final materials to VR.

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