



School-to-Work Program

Burle

About the Program:

The School-to-Work Program (STW) at Burle prepares high school students with mild to moderate disabilities for post-school transition outcomes. For more than 20 years, the School-to-Work Program classes have been the foundation for successful transition programming. While our experience is extensive and widely recognized throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the work is focused on the unique needs of each individual student. The program includes instruction in the areas of employment, daily living, personal management, functional academics, self-determination, and recreation and leisure.

Student Activities:

School-to-Work Program students use an evaluation form daily to learn to self-monitor work readiness and individual goals.

School-to-Work Program students prepare for a life of independence by:

- Setting individual goals
- Preparing a resume
- Developing a portfolio
- Learning the skills to obtain/maintain employment
- Participating in community-based instruction
- Learning how to change jobs appropriately
- Training in traveling independently in the community for work, social, and self-care activities
- Securing agency linkages to adult services

Student Competencies: Guidelines for Referral:

The program is a community-based vocational training experience. Due to the nature of the program, students who are candidates for the School-to-Work Program at Burle must display the following attributes:

- A desire to work
- Parental support for employment
- Socially appropriate behavior in community settings
- Personal care management
- Ability to navigate safely in the workplace
- Ability to follow directions and policies
- Willingness to participate in self-determination activities
- Willingness to learn and to try new experiences

To Learn More:

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