Department of Education & Workforce

Welcome!

OEC Office Update Sessions

- Last Wednesday of the month
- 3:00-4:00pm
- Variety of topics
- Audience: all stakeholders

Check website for updated topics and sessions!

https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Special-Education/Office-of-Exceptional-Children-Contact-Information

Participation Information

Mics and cameras off

Comments/questions in the Q&A section

If you have questions that DO NOT pertain to today's topic, please add them to the session evaluation survey

Vision

Ohio students are prepared for success in the real world.

Mission

The Ohio Department of Education and Workforce supports Ohio's students, families, and educators to ensure every student gains the knowledge and life skills needed for the future.

Education priorities

Literacy: Building a foundation for lifelong success by ensuring every student is reading at or above grade level.

Accelerating Learning: Advancing academic achievement for all students through statewide implementation of high-quality instruction, assessments, and supports.

Student Wellness: Fostering safe and supportive environments where students feel engaged and equipped to reach their full potential.

Workforce Readiness: Preparing students for success in life and careers through real-world knowledge, skills, and experiences.

Organizational Effectiveness: Delivering high-quality services and resources to strengthen Ohio's education community.

Secondary Transition Enhancement Funds

Agenda

- Transition to Work Endorsement (TTW) Course Credit Reimbursement lottery
- Job Coach/Skills Trainer Grant
- Becoming a Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS) Provider Grant

TRANSITION TO WORK ENDORSEMENT (TTW)

- Added to an Ohio intervention specialist license, career-technical teaching license (required for job training coordinators) or professional pupil services license
- Coursework required varies with program
  - Bowling Green State University
  - Kent State University
  - University of Cincinnati
  - University of Toledo
  - Xavier University

https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Special-Education/Federal-and-State-Requirements/Secondary-Transition-and-Workforce-Development/Transition-to-Work-Endorsement

TTW Endorsement Course Credit Reimbursement Lottery

- When funds are available, and if selected in the lottery, possible reimbursement for up to three credit hours per semester.

Reimbursement Process

- Information for submission sent by university to students enrolled in an eligible TTW Endorsement course each semester that funds are available.
- Must provide evidence of course completion and payment.
- Must complete an impact survey.

Job Coach/Skills Trainer Grant

Who:

Up to 48 Educational Agencies [OAC 3301-51-01 (B) (18)]

First come, first-served

What:

Up to **$11,400.00** to build capacity for new or current school personnel to support students with disabilities while they are working on a job site.

APPLICATION

- Application due **November 14**

https://forms.office.com/g/u0f1vASLw3

Job Coach Skills Trainer Project Application and Scope of Work November 2025-June 2026

Progress Reports

Due March 2 and May 25

https://forms.office.com/g/tAXwtubFJT

1. Activities or services completed to date
2. Increased access to services for students with disabilities
3. Number of students served
4. Amount of funds used to date
5. Sustainability (May)

Become a Pre-ETS Provider Grant

Who:

School districts, educational service centers, career technical centers

What:

Up to $8500 to complete the steps required by Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities to become a Pre-ETS Provider.

Before You Apply

- What are Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS)?

https://ood.ohio.gov/information-for-individuals/services/student-services/high-school/pre-employment-transition-services

- How do we become a Pre-ETS provider?

https://ood.ohio.gov/information-for-providers/become+a+vr+provider/become-a-vocational-rehabilitation-provider

Application Action Items

1. Identify a Team
2. Complete the 5 Steps to become a Pre-ETS provider
3. Select or develop a Pre-ETS curriculum
4. Connect with a local Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities Office
5. Develop a Proposed Implementation Plan
6. Develop & Submit Final Implementation Plan (Final submitted by January 30)
7. Develop marketing materials

APPLICATION: Pre-ETS

- Application due **December 5**

https://forms.office.com/g/YekDJLQqxH

Become a Pre-Employment Transition Services Provider-Grant Application 2025-2026

Learn About the Pre-ETS Curriculum

Training session by OCALI on Nov. 3 at 3:00 PM.

- Register in advance for this meeting at this link. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

To register:

https://education.ohio.gov

Search: Ohio Transition Support Partnership

Questions?

Session Evaluation

https://forms.office.com/g/cdAH35rjwC

THANK YOU!

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