Vocational Rehabilitation Transition from School to Work

Requesting Vocational Rehabilitation(VR) at a Transition Fair or Meeting:

- ☐ Each VR office is assigned to a local high school. A VR staff person will reach out to their assigned school each year to schedule a VR 101 presentation for school officials, parents and/or students. If you would like to request that a VR representative attend a presentation or transition fair, please contact your local VR office using the general VR mailbox (see map below)
 - 1. Please include information on the presentation request including date, time, and location in the e-mail request. If possible, please send this information at least 2 weeks prior to the event.
 - 2. The area office secretary will reply to your e-mail request to inform you if a VR representative is able to attend including the VR representative's contact information.

Contacting Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) to attend Case Conferences:

- ☐ Please contact your local VR office using the general VR mailbox (see map below)
 - 1. Please include the date, time, and location in the e-mail request. If possible, please send this information at least 2 weeks prior to the case conference.
 - 2. The area office secretary will reply to your e-mail request to inform you if a VR representative is able to attend the appointment.

Referring a Student to Vocational Rehabilitation:

- □ Please navigate to FSSA: DDRS: Vocational Rehabilitation / Employment (in.gov) to submit an online referral. Please ensure that the student and parents/court appointed legal guardians are aware of the referral being made on the student's behalf.
 - 1. Supervisors or another VR representative arrange to meet with school personnel <u>at</u> least once a year to discuss & prioritize potential referrals.
 - 2. High priority referrals include students getting ready to graduate who need our services (e.g., those with no clear pathway after graduation), and students with more complex needs who might need VR services earlier (among other possible students).
 - 3. Please have student or parent (if the student is under 18) complete a consent form for your school and VR to communicate and obtain records if necessary. Please attach the consent form and any records to the e-mail that was generated from submitting the VR referral Form.



Resources:

Pre ETS 101 - YouTube
Brochure on VR for Students/Parents

Roles:

Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor

- VR staff are assigned to high schools in their area.
- Attend case conferences as available.
- Schedule VR 101 at the beginning of the year for each school assignment while coordinating with Youth VRC so they can attend if possible.
- Schedule VR 101 and attend transition fairs as requested by school.
- Students found eligible from VRC's assigned schools will be assigned to that VRC's caseload for services.

Youth Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (YVRC)

- Attend and present at VR 101 meetings with VRCs at the beginning of the year as availability allows.
- Attend case conferences as available.
- Attend transition fairs as available.
- Provide training to new career coaches (Pre-ETS providers).
- Set up work-based learning experiences and assist providers with other Pre-ETS programming as needed.
- Keep records for school contact information.
- Attend cadre/transition council meetings.
- Provide technical assistance around Pre-ETS activities.

Area 1

VRGary.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 219-981-5326

Toll-Free: 877-847-9891 (V/VRS/711)

Counties: Lake & Newton

Area 3

VRValparaiso.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 219-462-0521

Toll-Free: 877-847-9888 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Jasper, La Porte, Porter,

Pulaski & Starke

Area 4

VRSouthBend.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 574-232-4861

Toll-Free: 877-282-0964 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Marshall & Saint Joseph

Area 5

VRElkhart.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 574-262-2086

Toll-Free: 877-847-9897 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Elkhart & Kosciusko

Area 6

VRLafayette.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 765-449-4278

Toll-Free: 877-847-9892 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Benton, Carroll, Clinton, Fountain, Montgomery, Tippecanoe

& Warren

Areas 7 & 8

VRFortWayne.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 260-424-1595

Toll-Free: 877-715-5292 (V/VRS/711)

Counties: Allen, DeKalb, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben &

Whitley

Area 9

VRKokomo.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 765-455-5020

Toll-Free: 877-715-5294 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Cass, Fulton, Howard, Miami, Tipton & White

Area 10

VRMarion.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 765-662-9961

Toll-Free: 877-876-2866 (V/VRS/711)

Counties: Adams, Grant, Huntington, Wabash & Wells

Areas 11 & 12

VRMuncie.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 765-282-9863

Toll-Free: 877-847-9890 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Blackford, Delaware, Henry, Jay, Madison & Randolph

Areas 13 & 14

VRKessler.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 317-205-0100

Toll-Free: 877-715-5296 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Boone, Hamilton & Marion [ZIP codes 46205, 46208, 46216, 46218, 46219, 46220, 46226, 46228, 46229, 46235, 49236, 45240, 46250, 46256, 46260, 46268, 46278, 46280 & 46290]

Areas 15 & 16

VRParkdale.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 317-270-1005

Toll-Free: 877-876-2864 (V/VRS/711)

Counties: Hendricks & Marion [ZIP codes 46201,

46202, 46203,

46204, 46214, 46217, 46221, 46222, 46224, 46225, 46227, 46231, 46234, 46237, 46239, 46241, 46254, 46259 & 46107 (Beech Grove)]

Area 17

VRTerrehaute.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 812-232-7864

Toll-Free: 877-715-3170 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Clay, Parke, Putnam,

Vermillion & Vigo

Area 18

VRVincennes.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 812-882-7208

Toll-Free: 877-847-9898 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Daviess, Gibson, Greene,

Knox, Pike & Sullivan

Area 19

VRJasper.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 812-827-5179

Toll-Free: 877-847-9896 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Crawford, Dubois, Martin, Orange, Perry, Spencer & Warrick

Area 20

VREvansville.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 812-425-1367

Toll-Free: 877-715-5299 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Posey & Vanderburgh

Area 21

VRBloomington.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 812-332-7331

Toll-Free: 877-847-9893 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Lawrence, Monroe, Morgan

& Owen

Areas 22 & 24

VRColumbus.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 812-376-9935

Toll-Free: 877-396-3271 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Bartholomew, Brown, Dearborn, Decatur, Franklin, Jackson, Jennings, Johnson, Ohio, Ripley,

Shelby & Switzerland

Area 23

VRRichmond.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 765-966-0932

Toll-Free: 877-715-3171 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Fayette, Hancock, Rush,

Union & Wayne

Areas 25 & 26

VRClarksville.VR@fssa.in.gov

Phone: 812-288-8261

Toll-Free: 877-228-1967 (V/VRS/711) Counties: Clark, Floyd, Harrison, Jefferson, Scott & Washington

