



JOB FOUNDATION

The transition from school to work can feel overwhelming. Job Foundation helps students ages 19–20 begin early planning for employment and connect with adult service systems.

Community-based Job Coaches observe students in real settings to identify strengths and needed supports—helping them leave school ready for a job.

This early investment builds a strong foundation for long-term success. It's all about creating a clear path from high school to meaningful employment.

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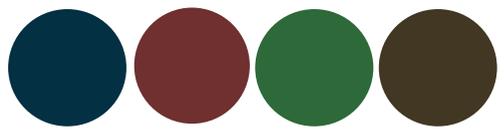
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Eligibility



Developmental Disabilities Community Services (DDCS) eligible students aged 19-20 attending school in Cowlitz County are eligible for Job Foundation.

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Age 19 - 20
(second to last year)

Student completes Job Foundation report with a Job Coach.

JOB DEVELOPMENT & PLACEMENT

Age 20 - 21
(last year of school)

Student referred to DVR. DVR commits to opening plans in Fall of final year. Ideally, job placement will occur by June.

STABILIZATION

Age 21 - 22
(by June)

Job stabilization and coordination of long-term employment services.



Key Benefits



Personalized Support

Students are paired with a Cowlitz County-contracted Job Coach who observes them in school, community, and work-based settings. Input from staff, peers, and family helps shape a customized Job Foundation Report outlining the student's strengths, interests, and support needs.



Connection to DVR Services

Students are connected with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), gaining access to experts, assistive technology, and technical support to improve job outcomes.



Stronger Collaboration

Coordinated efforts among schools, families, DVR, and other partners ensure seamless support and smooth transitions into adult employment services.



Employment Services Provider Information



As part of completing your application, you must select an Employment Services Provider from the list below. These providers partner with students and families to support the journey toward meaningful employment.



360-916-6029

www.careersbycompass.com



www.LiteWorksWA.org



www.EOsupportedEmployment.com