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What is WorkAbility I?

WorkAbility I is a vocational program serving special education students. It is designed to promote career awareness and exploration while students complete their secondary education program. WorkAbility I provides students with opportunities for job shadowing, paid work/experience, and limited term support and guidance from vocational personnel. WorkAbility I is available in the San Luis Obispo SELPA through a grant from the California Department of Education.

Who is Eligible?

- A student 16-22 years of age with an active IEP (Individual Education Program)
- A student with at least junior standing

Referrals are made through high school special education staff





What Services are Provided for Student/Trainees?

- Learn to earn
- Interest/ability evaluation
- Curriculum focusing on comprehensive job-seeking and job-keeping skills
- Career exploration
- Work experience
- Interagency collaboration
- Potential for growth in self confidence, responsibility, initiative, independence, and work skills

For Businesses/Employers:

- Screened, job-ready trainees, future employees
- Subsidized training wages;
 Worker's Compensation coverage
- Tax credit incentives when appropriate
- Ongoing employee support services and collaboration with job developer
- Opportunity to assist a young worker in developing positive work habits





How Can Your Business Benefit?

- Reduced hiring costs
- No-cost, no-obligation opportunity to "try out" potential employees
- Increased community involvement

A message to Employers...

The WorkAbility I Program was brought to San Luis Obispo County SELPA in 1988 to assist the transition of high school students from the classroom to the work force. Since that time, hundreds of students have been placed in private businesses with a subsidized wage and many of these students were hired directly. All have received valuable work experience and have had the opportunity to develop the pre-employment, social and work skills needed to make informed career decisions.

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