Our Mission

NEISD is committed to providing supported employment training opportunities for students with disabilities, both on campus and at job sites in the community. Our goal is to assist students to reach their full potential as they move toward independent paid employment and life after high school.

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Employment Training For Students with Disabilities

NEISD Transition Putting the Pieces Together
On-Campus

Each student’s post-secondary employment goals play a vital role in their training program. Through the Work-Based Learning (WBL) program, employability skills begin in the classroom. Through lessons and work-stations, students learn interviewing techniques, social skills for the workplace, self-advocacy, and job-readiness skills. Once skills are mastered in a classroom setting, students move to job sites on their campus to expand their skills. **Campus Areas**

- Cafeteria
- Library
- Offices
- Grounds
- Etc.

Community-Based

Community-Based Vocational Instruction (CBVI) allows students to take the skills they have learned on their campus to businesses in their community. Under the supervision of NEISD Job Coaches, students use public transportation to arrive at job-sites. Employers offer students initial training in the tasks needed for an entry-level position. The student is then supported by both the Job Coach and the employer.

**Areas of Employment**

- Restaurant
- Laundry
- Customer Service
- Maintenance
- Lawn care
- Other areas based on interest

Paid Employment

Students with disabilities participate in several competitive employment programs on their campus; including Career Prep, Co-op, and VAC. Students in these programs work independently in paid positions while earning high school credits for their work experiences. Each student has a monitoring teacher who acts as the support between the employer and the student. Employers participate by providing employment evaluations of the student to their teacher.