Frequently Asked Questions

Who qualifies to participate in the program?

- Students at least 14 years old
- Students enrolled in a secondary school program
- Students who have a documented disability (IEP or 504 plan)

How do students gain access to the program?

• Students are referred to the program through school counselors, teachers, EIPD counselors, and JCI professionals.

What happens after high school graduation?

 Upon graduation, individuals who have been participating in the program are eligible to continue receiving individualized services through EIPD.

JCI Contact or Visit

Johnston County preETS Transition Services Office (919) 934-0635

912A N. Brightleaf Blvd. Smithfield, NC 27577

Counties Served

- Duplin • Harnett • Johnston Lee • Lenoir • Sampson • Wayn

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preETS is a collaboration between JCI, area school districts, and the NCDHHS Division of Employment and Independence for People with Disabilities (EIPD)

EIPD (VR) County Office Contact Information

Harnett (910) 591-5420, 214 W Edgerton, Dunn

Johnston (984) 223-3600, 224 Peedin Road, Smithfield

Lee (919) 579-5100, 112 Dennis Drive, Sanford

Sampson (910) 682-5040, 215 W Main Street, Clinton

Wayne (919) 581-3800, 902 Corporate Drive, Goldsboro, Building K, 2nd Floor



Pre-Employment Transition Services

(preETS)

Program Information

Program Partnerships

preETS

Pre-Employment Transition Services (preETS) are a specific set of activities that are defined by the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) of 2014 (Public Law 113-128) and are intended to expose students with disabilities at an early age to self-advocacy, postsecondary training, and employment skills and options.

SERVICES



Self Advocacy

Students learn about their rights, responsibilities, and self-advocacy skills, fostering self-awareness and effective communication.



Workplace Readiness

This unit focuses on building employer-sought skills, including communication, self-management, interview techniques, job application processes, and financial literacy.



Job Exploration

Students complete
a career interest
assessment and explore
various careers, work
environments, and their
requirements. Real-world
insights are shared through
guest speakers and
interactive examples.



Post-Secondary Education

Students explore options for higher education, gain insight into entrance requirements, and engage in activities like campus tours or guest speaker sessions for hands-on learning.



Work-Based Learning

Students gain practical employment experience through activities such as workplace tours, informational interviews, and job sampling within the community.

EIPD

WIOA requires that North Carolina's
Division of Employment and
Independence for People with
Disabilities provide a continuum of
services to students and youth which
begins with preETS and, for
individuals who are eligible for the
EIPD program, continues with EIPD
transition services.

JCI

An entrepreneurial, nonprofit corporation dedicated to empowering people with disabilities or disadvantages to succeed through training and employment. JCl is contracted by EIPD to facilitate preETS services with students.

County Schools

JCI and EIPD have partnered with the school systems in Wayne, Johnston, Sampson, Harnett, Lee, Lenoir, and Duplin Counties to provide services to the students who qualify for these services.