

School-to-Work Transition Program



The School-to-Work Transition Program (STWTP) serves special education students to assist them in preparing for and locating meaningful work that will enhance their independence. STWTP engages approximately 500 MPS students each year to support and guide the transition from school to work. Through this program, students receive career counseling, supported job searches, and coaching to promote competitive employment. Our goal is to support students in reaching their highest level of independence in the world of work, the community, and academics.

Transition Coordinators (TC)

Every MPS high school has a TC who provides transition services at school and assesses student readiness for formal employment. TCs serve as liaisons to the School-to-Work Transition Program.

I changed because I am more outgoing. I am not afraid to work with different individuals.

~Seja S.



I'm proud of myself. I am doing the best I can and, when I need help, I ask for it.

~Jamila M.

I will be prepared because this practice job made me stronger.

~Jeffrey W.



Community Assessment and Training Program (CATP)

This program is designed for MPS high school students with educational disabilities and provides vocational experiences at local businesses. A special education teacher and a paraprofessional provide students with instructional support and assessment. CATP helps students explore careers and learn positive work behavior.



Employment Training Program (ETP)

This program is for students with disabilities who are at least 18 years old. Students are referred to the ETP by a TC. Employment training specialists work with students who are interested in competitive employment; services may include resume development, interest inventories, application assistance, mobility training, job development, placement, and/or coaching. The program focuses upon employment that is fulfilling and offers future potential.