

Family Ambassadors Needed



Proposal

Through a partnership with the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services, the Center for Family Involvement is seeking parents to serve as *Pre-Employment Transition Services Family Ambassadors* in the Northern Virginia, New River Valley area, Hampton Roads/Tidewater region and Blue Ridge/Piedmont region.



Training Time Commitment

- One training module every three weeks (1 hour module and 90 minute discussion)
- Module dates: 10/26/21, 11/19/21, 11/23/21, 12/7/21, 12/21/21, 1/4/21, 1/11/21
- Monthly coaching calls (60-90 minutes) starting in the spring of 2022
- After training is complete, ambassadors will work one on one with families (1-2 hours per family)

What are Pre-ETS Ambassadors?

Parents trained in “Charting the LifeCourse” by the University of Missouri Kansas City to:

- Provide public awareness of the Pre-ETS Family Ambassador network in Virginia and the Charting the LifeCourse model, and
- Hold one to one conversations with families preparing with their youth for transition IEPs. In those one to one conversations, the Pre-ETS Family Ambassador will use LifeCourse tools that help the youth and family plan for the youth to be their own self-advocate and to plan for employment.

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Are Pre-ETS Ambassadors paid?

- Yes, The Center for Family Involvement will contract with Ambassadors.
- Payment will be \$25 per hour. The amount of time each month will vary depending on training hours and one to one matches. (no more than \$800 per month)

Criteria for Applicants

- Parent/primary caregiver of a youth with a disability between the ages of 15-24
- Participate in 2-3 hours per month of virtual LifeCourse training/discussion beginning in October of 2021 through January 2022
- Have access to wifi for the trainings and discussion meetings
- Have access to a computer/laptop
- Available for one mentoring call per month (60-90 minutes) beginning in spring or summer of 2022
- Agree to be matched with other families of youth with disabilities who are preparing for transition IEPs to provide 1:1 LifeCourse planning (1-2 hours per family match)
- Sign agreement to keep information learned from family matches confidential
- Submit forms from completed family matches to document work and to receive monthly contract payment

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