

Local Resources for Employment/Education

8th Grade Career Fair

CMCSS Career Tech Department
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Clarksville, TN 37040
Karen Pitts and Brenda Scarborough
(931) 920-7829

Each year the 8th grade students attend a career fair which is representative of all career clusters, the high school academies and schools in the area.

Adult Literacy Council

430 Greenwood Ave., Room 209
(931) 542-5046

Provides free one-on-one and small group tutoring for adults who want to learn or improve their reading or English, get their GED[®], or learn basic computer skills.

www.adultliteracycouncil.org

Austin Peay State University

Office of Disability Services
disabilityservices@apsu.edu

The APSU Office of Disability Services is committed to providing leadership to promote accessible university experience where individuals with disabilities have the same access to programs, opportunities and activities as all others by improving usability for everyone. A "person with a disability" is someone with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activity. The following list is not limited to the common disabilities an individual may be eligible for:

- Blind and/or visually impaired
- Deaf and/or hard of hearing
- Learning disabled/attention deficit disorder
- Mobility impaired
- Neurologically impaired
- Chronic health conditions
- Psychological

Centerstone (JobLink Program)

511 Eight St.
(931) 920-7200

Provides pre-employment counseling, job development, and job support.

Dream It. Do It. Tennessee.

611 Commerce St.
Nashville, TN 37203
1-615-256-5141

A campaign designed to promote and encourage careers in the manufacturing sector. The goal is to attract young adults into manufacturing careers and expanding education and training opportunities to meet a growing shortage of skilled employees.

www.dreamitdoittn.com

Educational Opportunity Center

Austin Peay State University
Ellington Building, Room 333
P.O. Box 4667
Clarksville, TN 37044
(931) 221-7481
1 (800) 351-3382

The Clarksville/Ft. Campbell EOC is authorized to provide the following services to qualified participants:

- Provide information about educational opportunities
- Assist with educational counseling
- Serve as a clearinghouse for information on colleges/vocational schools within the region
- Provide computer-generated data for over 3,000 colleges and universities
- Provide directories for community colleges, trade schools and four-year institutions
- Offer application assistance
- Provide college/vocational admissions applications programs
- Assist with financial aid counseling
- Provide information about scholarships for minorities, women, handicapped and other groups
- Provide career counseling and career planning
- Provide computer-based career-planning inventories
- Serve as a resource to participants for referral to other community agencies for programs the EOC is unable to provide.

<http://www.apsu.edu/eoc>
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The Food Initiative

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Growing healthy food. Empowering lives. Building community.

Hire high school students from Clarksville/Montgomery County and Fort Campbell school systems, as well as the homeschool community, to grow fruits and vegetables for the local hunger relief agencies. Students must be willing to work four weeks in June or July.

www.thefoodinitiative.org

Goodwill Industries

1945 Madison St. – Rebecca Brooks, (931) 436-2133
rebecca.brooks@givegw.org
1596-L Ft. Campbell Blvd. – A.J. Geary, (931) 503-8051
aj.geary@givegw.org
640 Providence Boulevard – Kim Pena-Molnar, (931) 472-3531
kim.pena-molnar@givegw.org

Mission is to provide employment and training opportunities for people who have disabilities and others who have trouble finding and keeping jobs. Career counselors work one-on-one with participants to determine his or her strengths and skill sets, and they guide and support them into training programs and career paths which may be a best fit.

www.goodwillcareersolutions.org

Kelly Services

1860 Wilma Rudolph Blvd.

(931) 645-1897

Offers a comprehensive array of outsourcing, consulting services, and staffing from temporary to direct-hire.

www.kellyservices.com/Global/AboutUS/

Labor Ready

8 Jefferson Street

(931) 920-8233

Provides companies of all sizes with dependable temporary labor. Putting people to work and changing lives every day.

www.laborready.com

L.E.A.P. Organization

1860 Wilma Rudolph Blvd.

(931) 378-0500

info@leap.org

Provides youth development services such as mentoring, case management, counseling, community service, and career development targeted at ages 12 to 18.

www.leaporg.net

Montgomery County Tennessee Rehabilitation Center at Clarksville

1575 Corporate Parkway Boulevard

(931) 648-5560

Provides counseling, vocational evaluation, work adjustment and job placement services for graduating high school students and adults with disabilities.

St. John's Love Center

636 Main Street

(931) 542-2718

Provides job assistance training and pastoral counseling on Wed-Fri 10:00am-2:00pm

Tennessee Career Center at Clarksville

523 Madison Street, Suite B

(931) 648-5530

Angie Hopkins, Career Center Manager

(931) 648-5532, Ext. 126

Each center offers computerized labor market information, Internet access, workshops, an on-line talent bank, job placement, recruitment and training.

http://www.tennessee.gov/labor-wfd/cc/cccounty_files/montgomery.shtml

Tennessee job seekers and employers now have a more powerful tool in searching for jobs and job candidates, the result of an upgrade to the Jobs4TN.gov website. The revisions now allow users to customize their workspaces, to expand database searches and how they are saved, and to share jobs through e-mail and the Career Network.

<http://www.jobs4tn.gov/>

Tennessee Rehabilitation Center at Clarksville (Vocational Rehabilitation District Office)

1575 Corporate Parkway Boulevard

(931) 648-5560

Virginia Talley, Manager

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A regional rehabilitation center that provides the following services to adults with disabilities (18 years and older) referred by the Division of Rehabilitation Services (DRS): Pre-Vocational and Vocational training, Independent Living Skills training, Occupational Skills, Physical Rehabilitation services, and Transitional Life Skills training.

<http://kc.vanderbilt.edu/pathfinder/Servicefinder/>

Workforce Essentials, Inc.

523 Madison Street, #A

Clarksville, TN 37040

(931) 905-3500

1-800-865-0981

TDD 1-800-848-0299

Specializes in unique business solutions for employers, innovative training opportunities for individuals, and a wildly popular Driver Education Program.

www.workforceessentials.com

State/Federal Resources for Employment/Education

Benefits to Work

955 Woodland Street

Nashville, TN 37206

888-839-5333 or 615-383-9442

Alice Owens Gatlin, Program Director

Benefits to Work staff offer accurate information so individuals can make informed choices about working, pursuing training or further education while helping to ease fear of losing healthcare and other public benefits. They have years of experience about the Social Security work incentives including Ticket to Work. Careful planning is the key to a successful work experience. The services are free and statewide. Benefits to Work is a collaboration between Tennessee Disability Coalition (TDC) and the Center for Independent Living of Middle Tennessee (CIL-MT).

<http://www.tndisability.org/benefits-work>

FUTURE Program

University of Tennessee

430 Claxton Complex

1122 Volunteer Blvd.

Knoxville, TN 37996-3452

1-865-974-9176

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Helps young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities make a successful transition from high school to adult life by providing them with career counseling and developing their academic, vocational, and decision making skills. FUTURE is a comprehensive transition program for unique learners, highly motivated young adults whose disability is characterized by significant limitations in both intellectual functioning and adaptive behavior. Upon successful completion of the program, students receive a vocational certificate.

<http://futureut.utk.edu/>

Going to College

This website contains information on college life for students with disabilities. It is designed for high school students.

www.going-to-college.org

IDEAL – Igniting the Dream of Education and Access at Lipscomb

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A unique two-year program created by Lipscomb's College of Education to offer a college experience for students with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities (ID/DD). It is designed to encourage and support these students as they experience college with their peers.

<http://www.lipscomb.edu/education/ideal-program>

Job Corps

(800) 733-JOBS or (800) 733-5627

TTY: (877) 889-5627

Job Corps is a free education and training program that helps young people learn a career, earn a high school diploma or GED, and find and keep a good job. For eligible young people at least 16 years of age that qualify as low income, Job Corps provides the all-around skills needed to succeed in a career and in life.

<http://www.jobcorps.gov>

Nashville State Community College

Disability Services

Student Services Building, S-114

120 White Bridge Road

Gina Jones, Student Disabilities Services Coordinator

615-353-3721

Provides advising, advocacy, and facilitation of accommodations to ensure that all students have equal access to a quality education. Staff assists eligible students with admissions, admissions testing, academic planning, registration, testing (including pre-admission testing

and/or assessments), and communication with faculty. Staff also provides reasonable accommodations for community members with disabilities who wish to attend college events and provides services to students at all campus locations.

www.nsc.edu/student-resources/disability-services/

The National Collaborative on Youth and Workforce Development

Institute for Educational Leadership

4301 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 100

Washington, DC 20008

1-877-871-0744 (toll free)

1-877-871-0665 (TTY toll free)

Collaborative@iel.org

The National Collaborative on Workforce and Disability for Youth (NCWD/Youth) assists state and local workforce development systems to better serve all youth, including youth with disabilities and other disconnected youth. The NCWD/Youth, created in 2001, is composed of partners with expertise in education, youth development, disability, employment, workforce development and family issues. Funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP), the NCWD/Youth is housed at the Institute for Educational Leadership in Washington, D.C. NCWD/Youth offers a range of technical assistance services to state and local workforce investment boards, youth councils and other workforce development system youth programs.

<http://www.ncwd-youth.info/>

Nonprofit Partnership Network

(931) 551-5450

Provides assistance and support to nonprofit organizations such as workshops, resources, seminars, networking, education, special events and promotes volunteerism.

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SkillsUSA

Tennessee Postsecondary Association

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SkillsUSA is an applied method of instruction for preparing America's high performance workers in public career and technical programs. It provides quality education experiences for students in leadership, teamwork, citizenship and character development. It builds and reinforces self-confidence, work attitudes and communications skills.

Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology

Offers comprehensive technical and vocational training at 27 locations in Tennessee. There are training programs in many areas, including tool and dye mechanics, aviation mechanics, and welding.

tinyurl.com/tncat

Tennessee College & Career Planning System (KUDER)

The *Tennessee College & Career Planning System* steps students through learning about themselves; exploring career options; making a plan for education; preparing for the world of work; and more. Educators can use the system to monitor progress, plan curriculum, and support career guidance. Sponsored by Edsouth, every Tennessee school can access the system free of charge. The system features *Kuder[®] Navigator* for middle and high schools and *Kuder[®] Journey* for colleges.

<http://www.planningyourdreams.org/>

The Tennessee STEP UP Scholarship

404 James Robertson Parkway
Parkway Towers, Suite 1510
Nashville, TN 37243-0820
1-615-741-1346
1-800-342-1663

TSAC.Aidinfo@tn.gov

A program designed to assist students with intellectual disabilities who have completed high school and enroll in a two-year individualized program at an eligible postsecondary institution.

http://www.tn.gov/collegepays/mon_college/stepup.shtml

TigerLIFE Postsecondary Education Program

The University of Memphis
100 Ball Hall
Memphis, TN 38152
1-901-678-4303

tigerlife@memphis.edu

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1-901-678-5135

A 60 hour program culminating in a Certificate in Career and Community Studies. Provides students with an option for continuing their education beyond high school to increase employment opportunities. An individualized program of study in the areas of academic, social, vocational and independent living skills for students ages 18-29 with intellectual disabilities.

<http://blogs.memphis.edu/tigerlife/>

Youth Transitions

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A 501c3 nonprofit corporation based in Knoxville, TN. Dedicated to training and employing students in special education programs for employment opportunities in the foodservice industry.

www.youthtransitions.net

