

## **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**

Greetings Parents,

Your child has been selected to participate in a Pre-ETS Program through the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency.

The Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency (GVRA)'s core mission is to help people with disabilities find and maintain employment.

Students participate in the Pre-ETS program while they are in school. Students learn work-related skills and prepare for independence beyond high school.

GVRA contracts with service providers to deliver the Pre-Ets service to students during the school day.

Services may may include but are not limited to:

- **Job Exploration Counseling** Assists students in discovering career opportunities in their fields of interest.
- **Counseling on Post-Secondary Opportunities** Information and guidance on a variety of post-secondary education and training opportunities.
- **Workplace Readiness Training** Teaching workplace readiness traits to include soft skills that employers seek from employees.
- **Work Based Learning** An educational approach or instructional methodology that uses the workplace or real work practices to provide students with the knowledge and skills that will help them connect school experiences to real-life work activities and future career opportunities.
- Self-Advocacy Instruction Developing an ability to effectively communicate, convey, negotiate or assert his/her own interests and/or desires. Self-determination means that individuals with disabilities have the freedom to plan their own lives, pursue the things that are important to them and to experience the same life opportunities as other people in their communities.

In order for students to participate in the Pre-Ets programs, parents and students must sign the attached Transition Parental Permission Form. The SSN# (social security number) must be provided on the form to process the application.