Graphic: Characters sitting at a table and working with one student in a wheelchair.

Transition Program

School Work Study (SWS)

Students may qualify for SWS if they have an individual plan for employment or IPE in place, and their school has an existing contract with the Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services.

There are three types of work study

School Work Study — Work on school campus

Work Site Learning — Work in the community as an employee of the school.

Employer Work Study — Work part-time in the community where the employer pays the wage of the student.

School work study highlights

Students may work up to 15 hours a week during the school year, and there may be an option to work through summer.

Student may work for up to 24 months. It is preferred the last 9 months be outside of the school/district and in the community.

What are the steps to get started?

Students must be DRS clients and will need to fill out an application if they have not already.

If you are unsure if your school has a contract, please contact your local special education department or local Vocational Rehabilitation or Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired counselor.

Once the school contract is signed by all parties and Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE) or Trial Work Plan (TWP) is in place, the student can begin work.

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