## ADULT CAREER & CONTINUING EDUCATION SERVICES - VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION (ACCES-VR)

ACCES-VR assists individuals with 1 to achieve and maintain 2and to support independent living through training, education, rehabilitation, and career development.
<ul> <li>Eligibility</li> <li>In order to receive services, you must work with a Vocational Rehabilitation</li> <li>Counselor (VCR) to determine eligibility based on criteria:</li> <li>Have a 3 that interferes with getting or keeping a job</li> <li>Be able to benefit from vocational rehabilitation services: can align abilities, interests, and career choice</li> <li>Require vocational rehabilitation to prepare for and secure employment</li> <li>Be able to travel</li> </ul>
Presumed Eligibility: If you provide proof that you receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) because of your disability ACCES-VR will assume you are eligible for services. You may still be eligible for services regardless of whether or not you receive SSI/SSDI benefits.
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## **Application Process**

Every school has an ACCES-VR liaison. If possible, connect with your liaison during the transition process at least one year before leaving high school.

Process to be placed in a job training program:

- Compile documents and fill out application
- Attend an information session
- Interview with Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (VRC)
- Complete a Diagnostic Vocational Evaluation (DVE)
- Program placement
- Program interview

Documents that may be required for application:

- State identification (ID)
- Medical insurance card
- Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- Evaluations (psychological, psycho-social)
- Medical documentation
- Copy of high school diploma/credential
- High school transcript
- Resume (if one has been made)
- Copy of social security card
- Proof of address and income

## Who Can Help Borough-Based ACCES-VR Offices

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If you disagree with an ACCES-VR decision, you can appeal through a mediation center: bit.ly/DPrights

