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WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT PROGRAM PREPARES STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES FOR COLLEGE, CAREERS, AND CITIZENSHIP THROUGH PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES

As the District Transition Coach and Employability Education teacher for Kingstree High School, Mrs. Shayla Wilson prepares students with disabilities for college, careers, and citizenship through Pre-Employment Transition Services. She coordinates additional activities for students who are earning South Carolina High School Credentials and need 360 work hours. Work-based learning experiences to assist students with disabilities in obtaining knowledge and skills for future job opportunities through real-world observation and work experiences are also covered. This is done through career curricula, school-based enterprises, and collaboration with outside agencies such as Vocational Rehabilitation and AccessAbility.

This year students from Kingstree High School and students that are served at Broad Steps get to participate in a paid work-based learning opportunity through AccessAbility called Ability Thrift, a mobile training station that we piloted at Hemingway High School last school year. Through Ability Thrift, students experience what it is like to work while in school. Students are required to clock in and out to make sure they are paid and clean their workstations at the end of the shift. Students have a closer look at details around online platforms and the steps to utilizing them for their online store. They learn how to process, maintain and list inventory in an online shop, along with other skills such as research discovery, description writing, pricing/product assessment, and data entry.

Business partners are always needed to provide the following:

- Job Shadowing
- Career Mentorship
- Career Related Competitions
- Informational Interviews
- Paid and Non-paid Internships
- Practicum
- Paid and Non-Paid Work Experiences
- Volunteering
- Workplace Tours/Field Trips