

PUBLIC FORUM

September 23, 2015 ■ 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Department of Education ■ 1500 Highway 36 West ■ Conference Center B – Room CC 15 ■ Roseville, MN 55113

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A PUBLIC FORUM:

Coordination Between the Schools and Vocational Rehabilitation:

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Minnesota's Vocational Rehabilitation program, in collaboration with local school districts, is expanding pre-employment services for transition-aged students. The goal of this forum is to discuss new federal and state initiatives that aim to create strategies to increase the employability of students with disabilities.

Go to mn.gov/deed/src for the agenda. Please share it with your special education coworkers and others who may be interested.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

The State Rehabilitation Council encourages school staff and Vocational Rehabilitation staff to attend together, as a team, to discuss collaboration strategies that might be useful for your transition students. Go to mn.gov/deed/src for a list of locations where VR has offered to host a group to watch the forum over live internet and then discuss case studies. You will have the capacity to email in questions. To attend/register at a site in Greater Minnesota, please contact the lead person starred on the contact sheet.

If you plan to attend at the Roseville site, please go to <http://mn.gov/deed/job-seekers/disabilities/partners> and fill out the registration form. If you wish to attend as a Vocational Rehabilitation/Special Education group, and do not know your local VR contact, please contact Alyssa Klein, VR Transition Specialist.

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Handouts and reference materials will be available after September 11 at mn.gov/deed/src. *Please print and bring your own materials to the forum.*

Continuing education documentation will be provided for CRCs, teachers and administrators.

If you have questions, or accommodation requests, please contact Gail Lundeen at gail.lundeen@state.mn.us or 651-259-7364.

All accommodation requests must be made by September 16.