

## MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA ITEM:

September 2015

## REPORT ON PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:**

Sections 178.590 - 178.620, RSMo; Section  
161.092, RSMo

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## DEPARTMENT GOAL NO. 4:

The Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education will improve departmental efficiency and operational effectiveness.

## SUMMARY:

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), requires Pre-Employment Transition Services (PETS) for students with disabilities. Five services are required for “potentially eligible” students under this federal legislation:

- job exploration;
- work-based learning;
- counseling for postsecondary education;
- workplace readiness; and,
- self-advocacy and peer mentoring

Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation has partnered with the Hook Center at the University of Missouri-Columbia to deliver these services statewide to “potentially eligible” students enrolled in Missouri high schools, targeting ages 16 to 21. Additionally, Missouri Vocational Rehabilitation has launched a summer work program to provide work-based learning and experiences in the community to VR eligible students with disabilities.

## PRESENTER(S):

Robert Simpson, Project Director, Hook Center; and Chris Clause, Director, Community Rehabilitation Programs, will facilitate the presentation and discussion of this agenda item.



# **PRE-EMPLOYMENT TRANSITION SERVICES**

September 15, 2015

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of Elementary and Secondary Education

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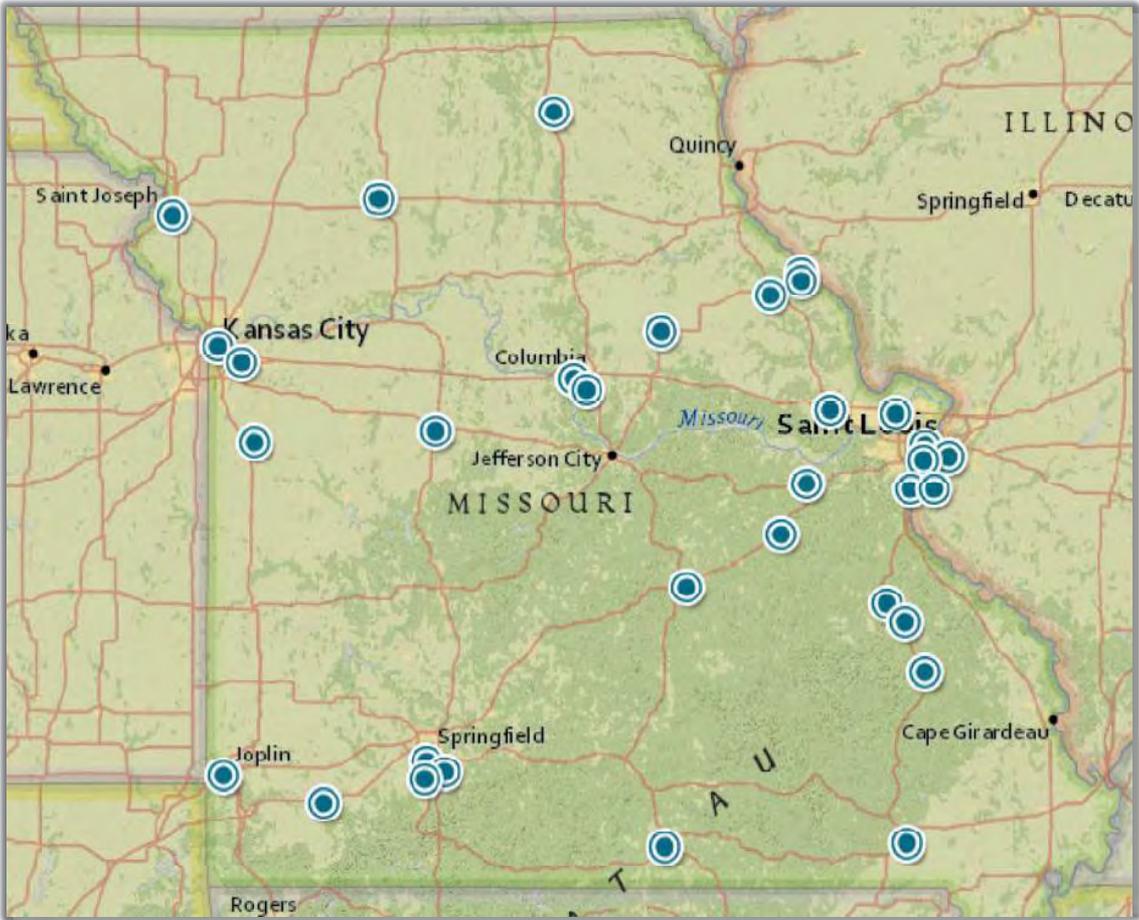
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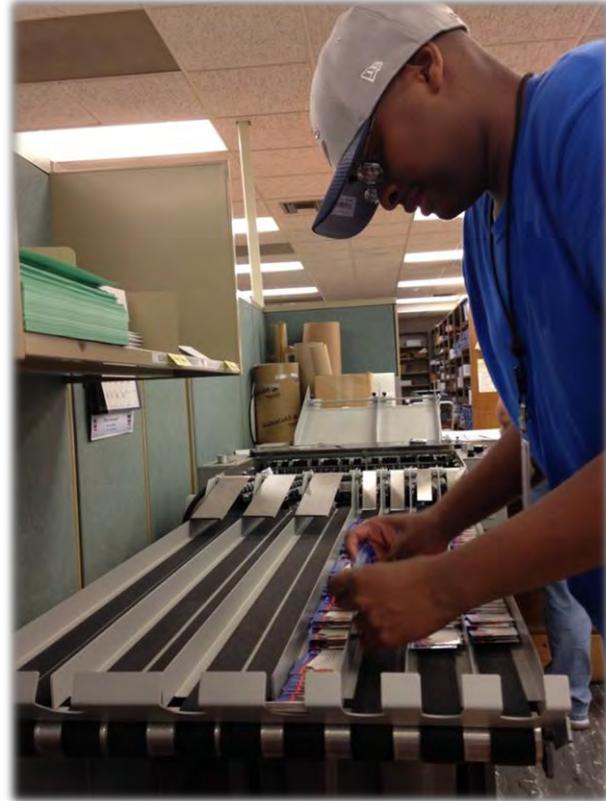
# VR Summer Work Experience: work sites



# VR Summer Work Experience

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- 20 Hours per week
- 6 Weeks
- Students paid \$7.65/hr.
- 4 hours of classroom time
  - Communication
  - Enthusiasm/Attitude
  - Teamwork
  - Networking
  - Problem-Solving
  - Professionalism



# Pre-Employment Transition Services

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**Partnership with  
Hook Center at  
University of  
Missouri-Columbia**



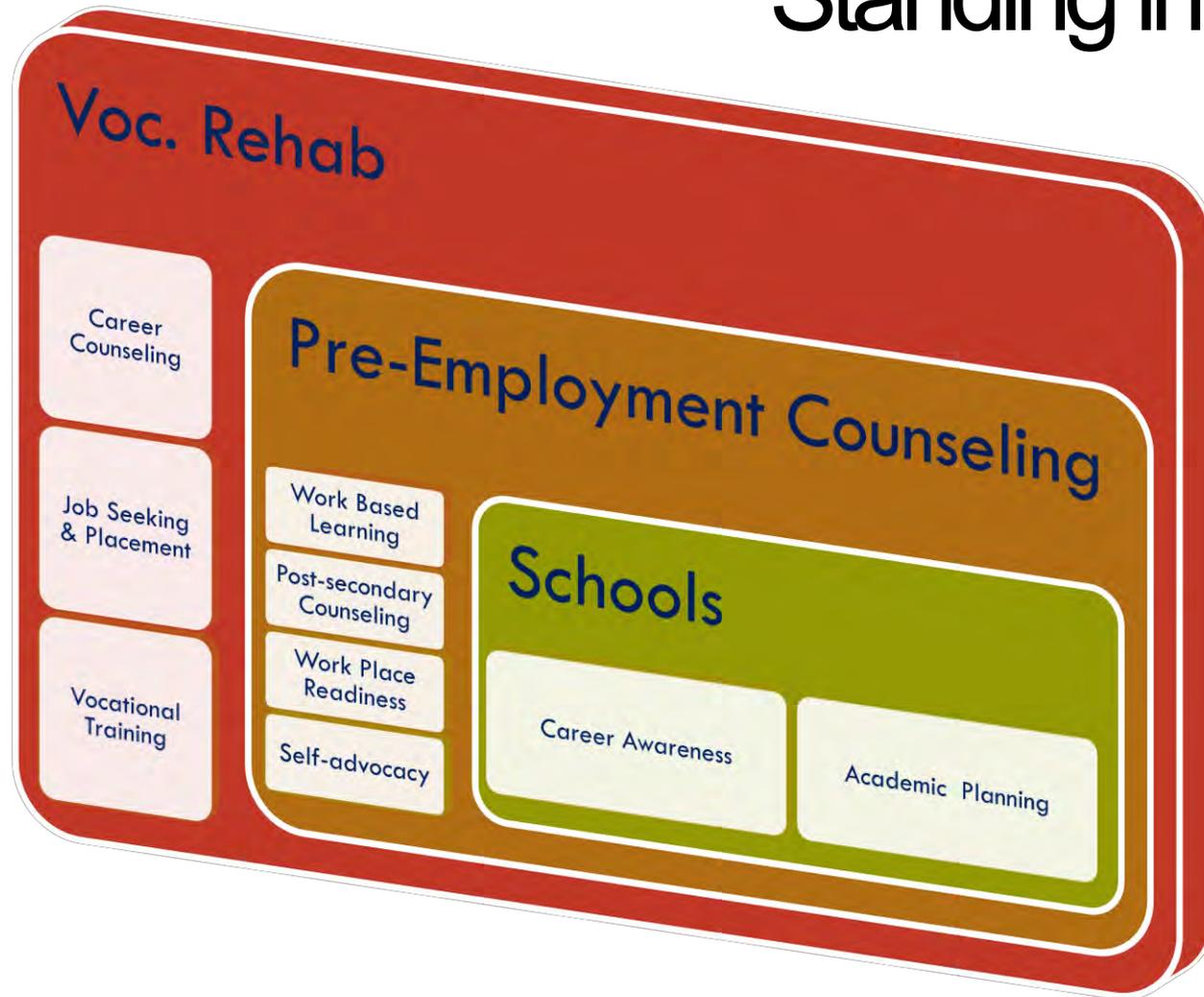
# Partnership with Hook Center at University of Missouri-Columbia

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- Our Purpose
- Our Target
- How will PETS impact our students?



# Standing in the gap . . .





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