





NextGen Youth Program Participation Agreement

| Participant Name: | State ID | : |
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The Purpose of the NextGen Youth Program

The focus of the NextGen Youth Program is to provide a comprehensive system, individualized for each eligible individual, which recognizes that young people need:

- Connections to employers & businesses
- Connection to educational programs, services & careers;
- Work Experience, positive peer support, role models and mentors;
- Occupational Skills Training;
- Assistance with identifying resources for post-secondary education;
- Leadership skills, and the opportunity to serve the community;
- Supportive Services as needed;
- Follow-up and support for at least a year after exiting the program.

Participant Responsibilities

- Participate in assessment activities. This will include a review of academic and occupational skills, as well as an outline of service needs.
- Negotiate an Individual Service Strategy (ISS) with my Career Advisor, which includes identifying a career goal. This will also include activities relating to academic, work readiness, or occupational skills, depending on my needs and interests.
- Communicate regularly with my Career Advisor.
- Participate in the agreed upon activities.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

Parental/guardian participation and support are critical to the success of young people. As plans are developed and issues arise, it is the intent of Rivers East to inform guardians of pertinent issues and to include them in development strategies.

Career Advisor Responsibilities

Career Advisors will support the Individual Service Strategy (ISS). The Career Advisor will:

- Provide a means to prepare for post-secondary educational opportunities.
- Provide linkages between academic and occupational learning.
- Provide activities which will help with the preparation for employment.
- Provide connections to other organizations that provide strong links to the job market, employers, and businesses.

Here are some of the steps that will be taken to help young people create a road to success:

- Coordination with schools and other entities serving young people so strategies and services are not duplicated;
- Assessment of academic and occupation skill levels;







- Identification of issues that may affect a young person's ability to succeed (if issues or barriers are identified, young people may be referred to other community agencies & programs);
- Development of an individual vocational/occupational plan that considers the desires, skills, and issues of each person.

The NextGen Youth Program services have been explained, and I understand the above responsibilities to fulfill my role as a participant and acknowledge that other responsibilities may be agreed upon for the successful completion of the program. I accept this agreement and will do my part to successfully complete the program and obtain unsubsidized employment.

| Participant Signature: | Date: | | |
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| Parent/Guardian Signature(if under 18): | Date: | | |
| As the NextGen Career Advisor, I have carefully explained the above information and acknowledge my responsibilities of the NextGen Youth Program. | | | |
| Staff Signature: | Date: | | |