

***Early Reach Academy for Students with Disabilities:***  
**Enhancing Independence Skills for Students Transitioning  
to Post-Secondary Education**



***July 19-23, 2021***

***July 26-30, 2021***

The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (BVRS) Harrisburg District Office, is pleased to offer the **2021 Virtual Early Reach Academy**.

- A two-week virtual experience building on current skills and enhancing independence skills for students transitioning to post-secondary education.
- Available at no cost to eligible students currently enrolled in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the 2020-2021 school year, who anticipate attending a two or four-year college or technical/trade school after graduation from high school.
- Focus areas include: daily living activities, self-advocacy, financial literacy, career exploration, social skills, college campus resources, and assistive technology
- Schedule will be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9:00am-12:00pm
- Virtual platform will allow for students to access the ERA from anywhere

## **Application Criteria:**

All applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Be currently enrolled in 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the 2020-2021 school year.
2. Have an IEP or 504 Plan (must upload when applying for admission)
3. Have an identified goal of enrolling in a post-secondary education program.
4. Have an open case with the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation Services – Harrisburg District Office.
5. Be independent in activities of daily living.
6. Have basic skills in using computer technology for accessing the virtual courses, note taking/word processing, web browsing, and keyboarding.
7. Have a desire and willingness to participate in all activities at the Early Reach Academy.