

VOCATIONAL STRANDS

- Audio Video
- Auto Detailing
- Beauty /Grooming
- Buildings & Grounds
- Business Office
- Child Care
- Computer Applications
- Culinary Arts
- Disc Jockey (DJ)
- Graphic Arts
- Healthy Lifestyle
- Horticulture
- In Home Care Services
- PAES (Practical Assessment Exploration System)
- Performing Arts
- Retail Sales
- Recycling
- Shipping & Handling
- Student Leadership
- Visual Arts
- Wood Shop
- Work Readiness

Mission

To maximize every students' potential for success in adult life, the Career Preparatory and Transition Centers (CPTCs) of the LAUSD provide rigorous vocational training and instructional programs for students with disabilities on the Alternate Curriculum, 18-22-years-old. The individualized instructional program is designed to maximize student independence, increase vocational and functional academic skills, provide preparation for adult life, and strengthen connections to adult support services. The CPTC is the center of a wheel of options that prepares students to become contributing members of society, while enlightening the community about the value that people with disabilities have to offer. Using assessment, standards-based and targeted instruction, students are provided training at the CPTC campuses and given real-world work experience at local businesses and job sites. These post-high school opportunities for students to develop pre-employment, paid employment, volunteer experiences, self-care and self-advocacy skills maximize their potential to participate fully and successfully within their communities.



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Purpose

The Widney CPTC staff provides employment and training for young adults with special needs. Our program serves Los Angeles Unified School District students who are in 10th grade through 22 years of age.

Training

The instructional focus is on teaching job skills to students. Widney CPTC emphasizes a practical hands-on program. The Widney CPTC staff provides job training on campus and in the community. These experiences help students to transition from school to work.

Assessment

The Widney CPTC staff assesses students for job readiness as well as interests and abilities. This ensures a seamless transition into the world of work.



Benefits for Students

- Development of job skills
- Pre-employment preparation: resumes, applications, interview techniques
- Work experience opportunities
- Development of daily living skills and independence
- Career awareness
- Development of self-advocacy skills
- Community integration
- Potential access to satellite transition programs including CATS and Project SEARCH

Benefits for Employers

- Access to work-ready applicants
- Careful screening of applicants for dependability, work ethic, work readiness and soft skills
- Placement as well as ongoing supervision, monitoring and support for students on the job

Community Connections

The Widney CPTC staff works cooperatively with families, local businesses, the Department of Rehabilitation and Regional Centers. This helps to link students with important services that will provide them with support throughout their lives.

