



If you are an employer, parent or young person interested in employment opportunities for students with a disability, then information about the Ticket to Work program is for you!

The Youth Disability Employment Network has developed Ticket to Work, a School-Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships program, for young people with a disability in Melbourne's southern region.

WHO IS THE YOUTH DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT NETWORK?

- We are a network of over 20 organisations, schools, employer services and government representatives.
- We are working together to raise employment aspirations and opportunities for students with disabilities through the Ticket to Work program.

WHAT IS TICKET TO WORK?

- A School-Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships (SBATs) program for students with a disability.
- Ticket to Work will allow students to gain valuable employment and vocational experience across a range of industry areas.
- Ticket to Work will provide employers with keen and competent young employees.

WHY HAVE WE DEVELOPED TICKET TO WORK?

- Because young people with a disability have a lot to offer businesses and young people have a lot to gain by undertaking an SBAT.
- Because significantly less students with a disability take up an SBAT, compared to those without a disability, despite the fact that students with a disability are more than capable of taking up most SBATs.
- Because research shows that most workers with a disability not only do their jobs just as well as those without a disability but they are also often more reliable and have fewer sick days.

HOW WILL TICKET TO WORK OPERATE?

- Ticket to Work ensures that students, parents and employers have all the support and guidance they need before, during and after their SBAT experience.
- Ticket to Work matches students and employers for mutual benefit, with the full support of our broad network of disability, education, training and employment experts.

STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Are you interested in an SBAT during your final years of school? Does Ticket to Work interest you? Ticket to Work may be right for you.

- You will be supported in the workplace by your school and other organisations.
- You can showcase your skills and abilities.
- You will gain fantastic experience in the workplace.
- You will participate in vocational training that leads to a nationally recognised Certificate (eg. Certificate II in Hospitality).
- You will develop skills and confidence that will increase your chances of employment after you leave school.
- You will receive a wage for time spent in the workplace.
- In most cases your Centrelink payments will not be affected.

TYPES OF SBATS?

- SBATs are available in most industry areas, provided the student meets employer, training organisation and apprenticeship centre requirements.
- Industry areas include: hospitality, automotive, business administration, beauty, sport and recreation to name but a few.

EMPLOYERS

Are you interested in supporting and employing a young person with a disability? If you are, Ticket to Work may be right for you.

- You will receive support, guidance and information while your School Based Apprentice or Trainee is working with you.
- You will be demonstrating your community commitment.
- You will be helping to change the negative perceptions that some members of our community have when it comes to the skills and abilities of young people with a disability.
- There are generous government financial incentives available to you.

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