





## Student Vision Profile January 2025

Your roadmap toward a thriving future begins here. This guide is designed to support you as you engage in meaningful conversations about life after high school. In PWCS, a student's trajectory is limitless. The information provided in this Student Vision Profile report will ensure that all students and their families have the tools necessary to navigate the road that lies ahead. After reviewing your Student Vision Profile, please complete the [Parent Feedback Survey](#) or the [Student Feedback Survey](#).

### John's Progress Toward a Thriving Future

Category	Your Data	What It Means
 <a href="#">Graduation Status</a>	Applied Studies Diploma	You are on track to graduate!
 In-Demand Career	Manufacturing	Identified as a high-demand field in Prince William County.
 In-Demand Career	Marketing	Identified as a high-demand field in Prince William County.
 In-Demand Career	Hospitality & Tourism	Identified as a high-demand field in Prince William County.

## How to Use This Guide

### Start the Conversation

When you see this prompt you will find helpful tips to guide your conversation.



### Get Moving

Set time aside to talk about your future.



### Think About It

When you see this prompt think about what is possible.



### Explore Resources

Resources are provided to support you along this journey. [Naviance](#), [StudentVUE](#), [ParentVUE](#), [PWCS Course Catalog](#), and [PWCS Career and Transition Services](#).



### Profile of a Graduate

The PWCS Vision is that every student will graduate on time with the knowledge, skills, and habits of mind necessary to create a thriving future for themselves and their community.



### Essential Concepts

**College Accommodations:** Services that provide students with a disability an equal opportunity to benefit from the educational process.

**Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE):** Working in the community alongside other employees without disabilities, earning at least minimum wage, and receiving the same workplace benefits and opportunities as other employees doing the same job.

**Job Coach/Employment Specialist/Career Coach/Skills Trainer:** Person providing assistance to an individual to learn or maintain a job.

**Rehabilitation Counselors:** Work with various state departments and community programs to provide services.



## Self-Determination Skills





Self-determination is a mix of skills students will use throughout life to choose and set goals, be involved in making life decisions, self-advocating, and working to reach their goals. Self-determination skills empower students to make choices independently according to their interests, needs, and abilities. Additional information and resources on self-determination can be found through the [I'm Determined Project](#).

### Start the Conversation

How can skills be paired to a career?



Discuss with your counselor/transition specialist which resources will support you with your postsecondary plans!

 <b>Self-Awareness</b>	 <b>Problem-Solving</b>	 <b>Decision-Making</b>	 <b>Goal Setting</b>
<p>Understand your emotions, thoughts, and values and how they influence behaviors in different contexts, such as home, school and/or work. This includes being able to recognize your strengths and limitations.</p>	<p>“How would you handle an angry customer?” or “How do you respond when a customer asks for a refund?” Practicing how you might handle these or other scenarios common in your industry can help you call upon solutions quickly when they arise on the job.</p>	<p>The ability to make constructive choices about personal behavior and social interactions based on ethical standards, safety, and social norms.</p>	<p>Work to identify short and long-term SMART  <b>S</b>pecific  <b>M</b>easurable  <b>A</b>ttainable  <b>R</b>ealistic  <b>T</b>ime-bound goals to fulfill your vision for yourself.</p>




## In-Demand Career Pathway Manufacturing

	High School Diploma	Certifications & Credentials
Virginia Growth Industry Jobs	Foundry Mold & Coremakers Mixing & Blending Machine Operators	Cabinetmakers & Bench Carpenters Crushing, Grinding, & Polishing Machine Operators
Median Annual Income	<span style="background-color: #FFD700; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px;"><b>\$36,065</b></span>	<span style="background-color: #FFD700; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px;"><b>\$42,310</b></span>
Colleges to Consider	<a href="#">NOVA</a> , <a href="#">Germanna Community College</a> , <a href="#">Prince George Community College</a>	<a href="#">Brightpoint Community College</a> , <a href="#">Eastern Shore Community College</a> , <a href="#">NOVA</a>
Degrees & Certificates to Consider	Welding Technology Computer Systems, Electronic/Communications Engineering	Welding Technology Computer Systems, Electronic/Communications Engineering

## John's Action Steps

Please discuss the below recommendations with your special education case manager, Transition Specialist and school counselor.






**Get Moving** 

Postsecondary Plan Checklist

Consider postsecondary opportunities and which pathways might be a good fit and of interest now. Plans and interests can adjust over time.

## Prepare For Your Future

Below you'll find action steps for a variety of postsecondary pathways, designed to ensure success in high school and beyond. You can discuss these pathways with your counselor to help you decide which ones you might be best suited for.

Graduation Action Steps	1. Work with your school team to ensure you are fulfilling your graduation requirements.	2. Map out different career possibilities of interest, and paths required to reach them.	3. Ensure your coursework, attendance, and self-care are aligned to help you succeed.	4. Polish your resume and review it with others for additional perspective and feedback!	5. Keep up good self-advocacy and self-determination skills to use after graduation.	
Career Connected Learning Action Steps	1. Work with your school transition specialist to identify opportunities suited for you.	2. Talk to your school team to identify work-based learning opportunities and job fairs.	3. Prepare yourself for the PWCS <a href="#">Transition Fair</a> by reflecting on your future goals.	4. Research credential and certificate opportunities.	5. Attend the PWCS summer job fair. Consider job shadowing a parent or guardian.	
Community College Action Steps	1. Every class counts. Challenge yourself in courses where you feel strong.	2. Get involved in ways that are authentic to your interests, values, and passion.	3. Attend a PWCS <a href="#">college fair</a> , college tours, and college visits at your school.	4. January is a busy time for scholarship applications and submitting the FAFSA.	5. End the year STRONG! Your final performance is important.	
Military Action Steps	1. All careers exist in the <a href="#">military</a> with opportunities through enlistment and beyond. Meet with a recruiter.	2. Scores from the <a href="#">ASVAB</a> exam can give you insight into careers.	3. Pass the physical! Your recruiter will discuss eligibility requirements with you.	4. Connect with a service enlistment counselor to identify the right job specialty.	5. Accept an offer through <a href="#">ROTC</a> , an academy appointment, or via the oath of enlistment.	
Apprenticeship/ Internship Program Action Steps	1. Learn about different careers that offer apprenticeships and internships.	2. Find approved <a href="#">apprenticeship &amp; internship programs</a> as you build your career. Explore PWCS Project SEARCH & full-day internship programs.	3. Review the application process and prepare for apprenticeship exams and interviews!	4. Complete the apprenticeship or internship program applications by the deadline.	5. Maintain good work habits with a daily routine and organization.	



## Community Resources

Provided in the table below is a comprehensive list of community-led resources that can support you. These resources include employment, training, education, and other postsecondary supports.

### Think About It

#### Postsecondary Plans



Review your Individualized Education Program and discuss with your counselor/transition specialist which resources will support you through their post-secondary plans and beyond!

Resource	Location	Website	Contact
Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS)	7900 Sudley Rd., Ste. 309, Manassas, VA 20109	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_darsvocationalrehabilitation">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_darsvocationalrehabilitation</a>	703-335-5550
Prince William County Parks and Recreation	14420 Bristow Rd., Manassas, VA 20112	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_pwcparks">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_pwcparks</a>	703-792-7060 (TTY: 711)
Virginia Career Works Prince William Center	13370 Minnieville Rd., Woodbridge, VA 22192	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_virginiacareerworks">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_virginiacareerworks</a>	703-586-6800 (TTY: 711)
Prince William County Community Services (CSB)	7969 Ashton Ave., Manassas, VA 20109; 15941 Donald Curtis Dr., Woodbridge, VA 22191	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_pwccommunityservices">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_pwccommunityservices</a>	703-792-5241 (TTY: 711)
The Mason LIFE Program	4400 University Dr., Fairfax, VA 22030	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_gmumasonlife">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_gmumasonlife</a>	<a href="https://cehd.gmu.edu/contact">https://cehd.gmu.edu/contact</a>
GMU Mason Autism Support Initiative (MAIS)	4400 University Dr., MSN 5C9, Student Union Building 1, Ste. 2500, Fairfax, VA 22030	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_gmudisabilityservices">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_gmudisabilityservices</a>	703-993-2474
ACE-IT in College	1314 W. Main St., Box 842011, Richmond, VA 23284	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_aceitincollege">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_aceitincollege</a>	<a href="mailto:aceit@vcu.edu">aceit@vcu.edu</a>
PEATC	403 Holiday Ct., Ste. 104, Warrenton, VA 20186	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_peatc">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_peatc</a>	703-923-0010
The ARC of GPW	13505 Hillendale Dr., Woodbridge, VA 22193	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_arcgpcw">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_arcgpcw</a>	703-670-4800
DVBI	11150 Fairfax Blvd., Ste. 502, Fairfax, VA 22030	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_virginiablindvisionimpaired">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_virginiablindvisionimpaired</a>	703-359-1100
The ARC of NOVA	3060 Williams Dr., Ste. 300, Fairfax, VA 22031	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_arcnova">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_arcnova</a>	703-208-1119
DMAS Medicaid	600 East Broad St., Richmond, VA 23219	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_virginiamedicaid">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_virginiamedicaid</a>	1-833-522-5CALLVA (TDD: 1-888-221-1590)
The Independence Empowerment Center	8409 Dorsey Cir., Ste. 101, Manassas, VA 20110	<a href="https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_ieccil">https://bit.ly/pwcs_svp_ieccil</a>	703-257-5400