



PARENT PLANNING GUIDE TECHNICAL TRADE & WORKFORCE PROGRAMS

If your child is planning to enter a technical trade or workforce program after graduation, here is a checklist of important steps that you can help them complete now!

- ✔ **Complete Admissions Application:** If your child has not already applied, have them do so immediately. Applications for technical and workforce programs vary by program. Your child can reach out to the admissions coordinator of the program if they have any questions about the process.
- ✔ **Submit the FAFSA:** If your child is entering a tuition based technical program and will need financial aid, you will need to submit the FAFSA. Submitting the FAFSA requires your input and information, and will impact your child's financial aid options. If you have not already done this, **this is your step to do now!**
- ✔ **Practice for the Placement Test:** Most technical trade programs and some workforce programs require students to take a placement test before they begin the program. This helps them to assess how much support your child might need in the academic portions of the program. The most common tests are the TABE and CASAS, have your child ask their admissions rep which test they will be taking. Sample and practice tests can be found through a google search, or have your child ask their College Advisor.
- ✔ **Check in With Admission Representative:** Your child should check in with their intended program's admission representative to make sure that they have completed all entry requirements, any financial aid steps, and are aware of their start date and schedule.
- ✔ **Schedule a Decision Meeting with your Child's College Advisor:** During this meeting, a member of Mastery's Post Secondary team will walk through your child's final decision and answer any questions you have about their next steps. Meetings will be held in late April.

Get Ready for Graduation:

Your child's school will be in touch with their plans for a Covid-safe ceremony. You're almost at the finish line!

If you or your child has questions about the process of applying to a workforce or technical program, please reach out to their College Advisor or Case Manager.

Students with Accommodations

After your child has submitted their enrollment paperwork, they will need to request accommodations from the disability services office at their intended college.

Talk to your child's case manager about the accommodations he/she has received during high school and how it has helped. Make sure to include your child in that conversation. Then have your child schedule an initial meeting with the disability services office.