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Dear Student and Parent/Guardian,

If you are 18-21, in school, have a developmental disability, and live in Fort Collins, you may be able to apply for a Career development opportunity called **Project SEARCH**. Project Search is a business led collaboration that enables young adults with disabilities to gain and maintain employment through career exploration and training at Columbine Health Systems.

Project Search is a Poudre School District transition program in collaboration with Columbine Healthy Systems, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and Foothills Gateway.

- To qualify, students must be finished with their academic portion of their education and be in their last year of receiving support from the Poudre School District
- Students must have applied and be eligible for both Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services and Foothills Gateway Services. (Being on the Waiting List is OK)
- Students participate in three 10 week internships in their different interest areas within Columbine Health Systems.
- Students are responsible for getting to and from Columbine using Public transportation (Transfort, Dial a Ride, or SAINT). Students can receive training from Project Search staff.
- Project SEARCH runs Monday through Friday 8:00AM-2:30PM.
- Students must be able to be independent on the job site, once they understand work expectations and have received coaching to get them independent with co-worker support.

If you are interested in additional information about Project SEARCH, please contact Marilee Boylan at [mboylan@psdschools.org](mailto:mboylan@psdschools.org) or call 970 219-6667.

Hope to hear from you soon!

Sincerely,

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