

Student-Led Enterprises

Why?



Improved Hard & Soft Skills

Student-led enterprises often provide opportunities for students to develop essential work skills, such as communication, teamwork, problem-solving, and time management. These skills are valuable for transitioning to the workforce and achieving greater independence.

Increased Self-Efficacy

Running a student-led enterprise can boost students' confidence and self-efficacy. The sense of ownership and responsibility can lead to increased self-belief and motivation.

Real-World Experience

Engaging in entrepreneurship within a controlled educational setting allows students to gain real-world experience in a supportive environment. This experience can help bridge the gap between school and employment.

Networking Opportunities

Student-led enterprises may involve interactions with mentors, community members, and business professionals, which can help students build valuable networks that can assist them in their future career pursuits.

Personalized Learning

Transition programs that incorporate student-led enterprises can provide a personalized learning experience tailored to individual abilities and goals, allowing students to explore their interests and strengths.

Job Skills Development

Depending on the nature of the enterprise, students may acquire specific job-related skills that are directly transferable to future employment opportunities.

Financial Literacy

Operating a student-led enterprise often involves financial management and budgeting, which can help students with disabilities develop important financial literacy skills.