

Core Team Breakout Notes Summary 2022

What do we value most about Core Teams?

- Making connections with partners and core team members.
- Meeting new people.
- Networking in an area where schools have not been as open to hosting groups and making sure we aren't missing things.
- Resource sharing.
- Learning from and accessing other professionals in the field.
- Communication – being able to bring questions and problem solve to create career paths for youth.
- Teaming.

What are our action steps after today?

- Revisit our mission statement, commit to partnering with Corrections, updating our resource manual, accurate and early identification of youth needing support, continue sharing accurate and timely resources regarding transition initiatives, plan agency presentations for schools, join existing job/resource fairs, and share core team list serve with the group with an agency/school identified.
- Updating our mission statement to include equity language, host two events this year – a transition fair and a training/event about scaffolding transition for youth to demystify transition. The group is thinking about transportation to events as an equity issue.
- Identify barriers for engagement in core team, identify who is 'missing' from core team and how can we invite them, polling members to identify topics and timing for meetings this year.
- Planning for meetings to continue through the year with many varied topics.
- Team will meet four times this year, create a directory of key agency contacts for schools, and seek grant opportunities to support the work of agencies.
- Team decided to pilot a regional effort to support core team and plans to dig deeper into scheduling to allow for school staff attendance (staff development days, meetings at schools, etc.).
- Team commits to being more student-centered in their work.
- Plan to host an event for students and families to present alternatives to college, inviting employers who do on the job training, Job Corps, VDOL to discuss apprenticeships.