CAREERS AND POST SCHOOL OPTIONS PATHWAYS GUIDE

YARRAVILLE

Special Developmental School

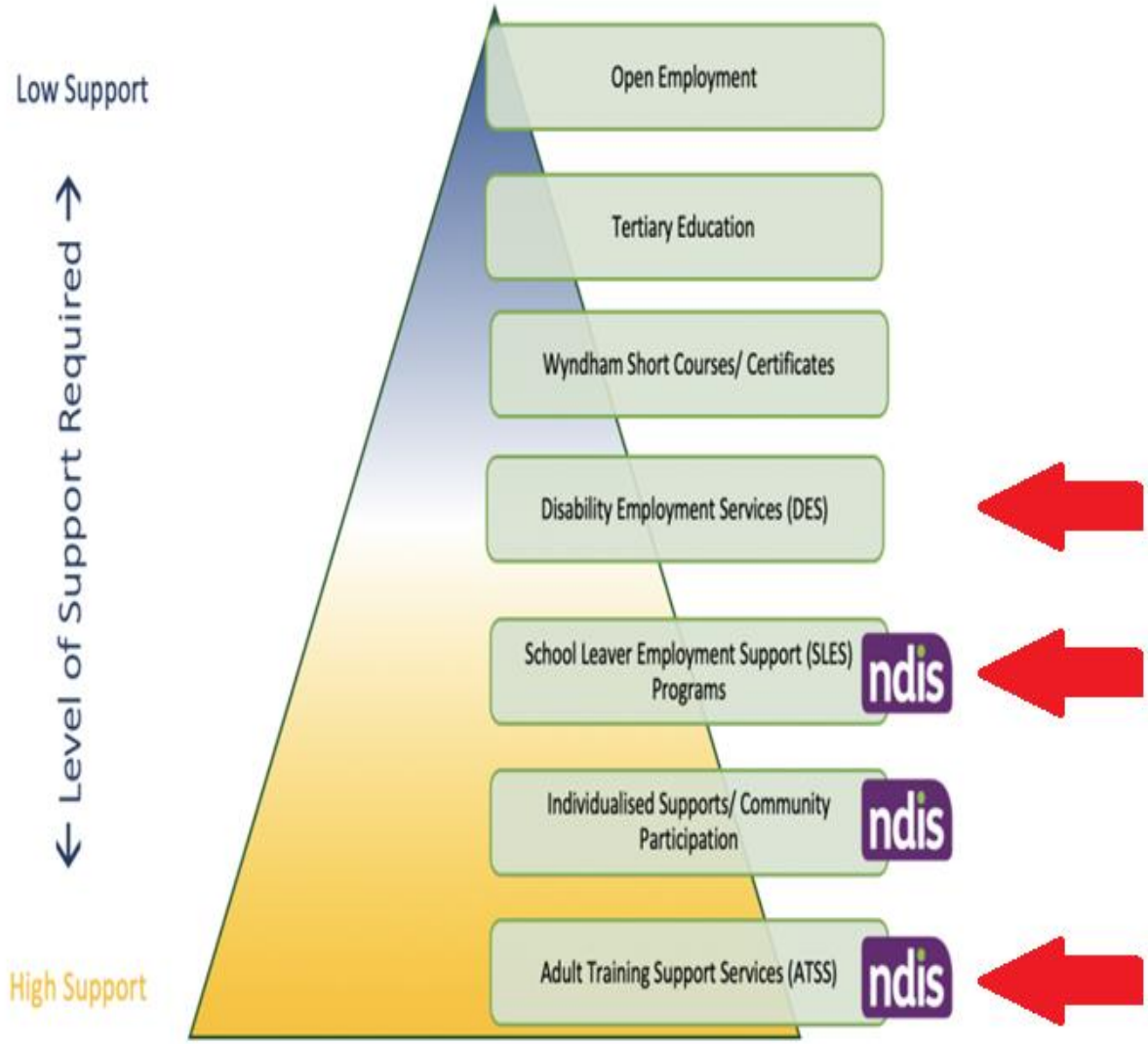
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Post-School Pathways

Post-School Pathways are the various opportunities that are offered to students completing their schooling journey to benefit them post school. Students, that are now acknowledged as being 'participants', are provided opportunities by multiple organisations that deliver and provide programs that cater to each individuals needs, levels of support, financial restrictions, etc. The figure below simply and generally outlines the various tiers of opportunities provided for each graduating student.



Adult Training Support Services (ATSS)

Adult Training Support Services (ATSS) are targeted at clients that are currently unable to enter employment supports. Each ATSS will provide both differing facilities and offerings, and will encompass various programs that have specific focuses for each of their programs. Examples of program foci include community excursions and volunteering, life skills such as cooking and budgeting, social groups and specific job skill training.

It's also important to know that some facilities are better equipped than others to host specific therapies such as physiotherapy, speech therapists, occupational therapy, behaviour therapy and so on. As such, it is recommended that you contact each facility of interest and present them with specific information as to what your child needs, further enquiring how each facility could and would supports those needs. Once you have narrowed down your search, it is further recommended that you visit each location of interest, as this will provide you with a more realistic understanding of what you are investigating.

With respect to individual and tailored programs, most services will provide this option. As such, it is important that you consider all of your child's needs, and further have those needs clearly stated in their NDIS plan. Your child's goals should also consider what their future aspirations are so that they can continue to work towards achieving that goal throughout their post-school pathway. Examples of such goals may include participating in community sport, learning to cook, living independently or securing employment. Goals are not limited in how simple or complex they can be – however this is also an important discussion to have with your NDIS planner.

Adult Training Support Services (ATSS)

Organisation:	Brief Summary:	Contact Information:
Mambourin	Mambourin has an a few community hub locations in the west (Deer Park is not included) and offers flexible support for participants within either a group setting or one-to-one. Choices include life skills, social and interest choices, individual support, community choices and work readiness.	**Braybrook:** Ravenhall Street, Braybrook, VIC, 3019. (03) 9313 0800 **Sunshine:** 50 Stanford Street, Sunshine, VIC, 3020. (03) 9364 7999 **Altona:** 130 Queen Street, Altona, VIC, 3016. (03) 9313 0800 **Werribee:** 11 Walls Road, Weribee, VIC, 3016. (03) 9313 0800 https://www.mambourin.org/
Annecto	Annecto offers a range of courses through their learning hubs including community volunteering, gardening, cooking, painting, drawing, contemporary photography, dance, bike riding, swimming, competition snooker, bowling, computer skills, renovating and building with woodwork. David House offers door to door transport as well as 'after hours' care/	**Yarraville:** David House Learning Hub Little David Street, Yarraville, VIC, 3013. (03) 9314 0988 **Footscray:** 81 Cowper Street, Footscray, VIC, 3011. (03) 9687 7066 https://www.annecto.org.au/
Annecto Merrimu	Annecto Bacchus Marsh offers lifestyle skills, social groups, community excursions, job skills and work experience in genuine industries, as well as offering a modified Certificate II in Horticulture. Additionally, Merrimu offers a door to door transport service, picking up clients from the Werribee area and transporting them to and from their Bacchus Marsh facility.	**Bacchus Marsh:** 2 Bacchus Street, Maddingley, VIC, 3340. (03) 5366 3000 https://www.annecto.org.au/ https://merrimu.org/

Yooralla	Yooralla community hub offers art workshops, computer skills, cooking, day trips, gardening, music therapy, swimming programs and volunteering. The Footscray hub is aimed at high functioning students and building work ready skills. The St Albans hub is aimed at lower functioning students and focuses on social skills and community engagement.	**Footscray:** 79 Hyde Street, Footscray, Footscray, VIC, 3011. (03) 9689 1611 **St Albans:** 1 Andrea Street, St Albans, VIC, 3021. (03) 9310 8704 https://www.yooralla.com.au/
Aspect	Aspect Adult Community Services provide supports to give participants the confidence and skills to live successfully on their own terms. Their personalised support services are specifically designed to improve an individual's independence, emotional resilience and physical wellbeing, by extending their networks and helping them make positive connections in the community. They provide tailored programs that assist with participants development of skills in the following areas: -Communication & social skills -Independent living skills -Health & wellbeing; and -Social & recreational	**Northcote:** 30B Union Street, Northcote, VIC, 3070. 1800 277 328 https://www.autismspectrum.org.au/
Scope	Scope Lifestyle Options offers group-based activities, as well as individual programs. Activities include things such as creating art, dancing, sports or socialising, and very much focus on the participants interests.	**Chislon Lifestyle Options:** 175-177 Mitchell Street, Maidstone, 3012 **Braybrook/St Albans Lifestyle Options:** 432 main Road West, St Albans, 3021 1300 472 673 https://www.scopeaust.org.au/
Distinctive Options	Distinctive Options is set within a standard 3-bedroom home and focuses on community inclusion, excursions and fun activities for groups of participants to achieve their goals collaboratively. The	**St Albans:** 12 Lester Avenue, St Albans, 3021 0429 482 543 https://www.distinctiveoptions.com.au/

	participant numbers here range from 5-15 participants on any one day.	
Gen U	GenU offers an *Adventure Program* on top of its general community-based day programs. Such activities includes abseiling, surfing, bike riding, fishing and/or sailing. GenU also offers a gaming program with focuses such as video games, collectible card games miniature painting, RPG, fan clubs, war games and board games.	**Wyndham Park House:** 53A Kookaburra Ave, Werribee, VIC, 3030 (03) 9486 5077 1300 558 368 https://www.genu.org.au/
Milparinka	Milparinka provide support, opportunities and connections which enable people with disabilities to achieve their ambitions. Milparinka supports people who have a disability to pursue lifestyles that include the same opportunities that all members of the community expect and enjoy.	**Brunswick:** 331 Albert Street, Brunswick, VIC, 3056 (03) 9387 9985 https://www.milparinka.org.au/index.php
Inclusion Melbourne	Inclusion Melbourne offers a variety of services, such as Support Coordination, Specialist Support Coordination, Direct Support, Education/Training, NDIS understanding and Pre-planning, plus important Community Support options such as the Leisure Buddies and Community Visitation services from our beloved Volunteers	**Visy Cares Hub – Sunshine Office** 80B Harvester Road, Sunshine, VIC, 3020

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School Leaver Employment Supports (SLES)

School Leaver Employment Supports (SLES) is an NDIS support that increases employment opportunities for people with disabilities by providing them with focused job skilled training, travel training and work experience that correlate with each participant's unique goals. The main focus of SLES is to help participants plan their career pathway, develop work-ready skills to assist them to succeed in their field of choice, and to help develop participant's confidence and social skills. Under SLES, participants receive individualised support for up to two years after finishing school. SLES must be requested within the participant's NDIS plan.

School Leaver Employment Supports (SLES)

Organisation:	Brief Summary:	Contact Information:
Uniting	Uniting is both a SLES and Disability Employment Service (DES) helping job seekers with ongoing learning difficulty or disability. They will develop an Employment Pathway Plan to meet individual needs, setting out the services, training and assistance, to help participants find and stay in a job.	19 Duncans Rd, Werribee, VIC, 3030 Kelly Ardonis: (03) 9051 2000 www.uniting.org/home
Mambourin	Mambourin's SLES includes job skills training, personal health and wellbeing activities, identifying interests and skills and travel education. Mambourin can provide nationally accredited training to its participants.	159 Derrimut Road, Derrimut, VIC, 3030 https://www.mambourin.org/
Gen U	GenU runs programs that assist in helping participants break through barriers to employment. GenU also offers Pathways to Employment coordinators who can support participants that have a disability, but are not eligible for Disability Employment Services (DES).	40 Synnott Street, Werribee, VIC, 3030 Leah Twaits: 0408 848 137 https://www.genu.org.au/
Job Support	Job Support provides people with successful work experience and an increased confidence to attempt a paid job. Job Support helps inform participants about work choices and identifies strategies, supports and environments that lead each participant into the best opportunities for successful employment. **IQ ELIGIBILITY MUST BE 60 OR UNDER.**	Suite 8, 707 Mt Alexander Road, Moonee Ponds, VIC, 3039 (03) 9387 8900 www.jobsupport.org.au
Leisure Networks	Leisure Networks provide participants with opportunities to work through job search activities, travel training and practice interview skills, all in a friendly and social environment.	191, Watton Street, Werribee, VIC, 3030 1300 561 802 www.leisurenetworks.org
WCIG	WCIG has a long history of supporting individuals to find meaningful employment. Everyone needs support at some stage of their life to discover their passion, engage in employment or further their education. If you have a goal of employment or further education in your NDIS plan, WCIG can support participants to reach their potential.	**Footscray Hub** Office 2, Level 1 Cnr Albert & Paisley St, Footscray, VIC, 3011 (03) 9689 3437 www.wcig.org.au

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Australian Disability Enterprise (ADE)

Australian Disability Enterprises (ADEs) act as a stepping stone to help people with moderate to severe disabilities gain training and experience within genuine businesses. After gaining experience, participants have the option to progress into open employment or to continue within their supported employment role. Participants are provided opportunities to work within industries that focus on packaging, assembly, production, recycling, screen printing, garden maintenance, landscaping, cleaning services, laundry services and food services.

Australian Disability Enterprise (DES)

Organisation:	Brief Summary:	Contact Information:
Back to Back Theatre	"Back to Back Theatre is a registered provider with the NDIA for supported employment for people with intellectual disabilities who work as part of their professional ensemble". Additionally, Back to Back Theatre provide "group-based community, social and recreational activities… and one-off workshops".	60 Little Malop Street, Geelong, VIC 3220 (03) 5221 2029
Ballarat Regional Industries – Melton	"Ballarat Regional Industries provides real jobs for people with disabilities". Some of their employment opportunities include landscaping, home maintenance, packing, event support, timber works, manufacturing, recycling and document destruction.	10 Production Road, Melton, VIC 3337 (03) 9747 3611
Corio Bay Innovators Inc.	Dal Café and Catering creates food for catered functions, a school canteen and a retail café. Dal Café and Catering supports participants to transition into full and equitable employment, within their commercial kitchen.	8 Little Ryrie Street, Geelong, VIC, 3220 (03) 5229 3827
GDP Industries	Geelong's Disabled Peoples Industries offer long term supported employment undertaking a variety of jobs. Tasks include disassembling electricals, baling clothing, shredding documents, cutting fenceposts, repairing fenceposts and bagging sawdust.	6-8 Baxter Road, North Geelong, VIC, 3215 (03) 5278 9411
GenU – North Geelong	GenU's Business Enterprises provide participants with employment opportunities within a supportive work environment. GenU businesses include hospitality, land care and business solutions	77-79 Douro Street North Geelong VIC 3215 (03) 5277 2180
Mambourin – Derrimut Packaging and Assembly	Mambourin Packaging and Assembly is able to offer on-the-job training, social support, or pathways to open employment in a dynamic atmosphere that involves packaging, forklifts, shelving and storage, racking and engraving.	159 Derrimut Drive, Derrimut, VIC, 3030 0478 053 428
Mambourin – Derrimut Gardening Services	Mambourin Gardening Services provide a range of employment, training and education opportunities centred around weed control, weed management and caretaker services.	159 Derrimut Drive, Derrimut, VIC, 3030 0478 053 428

WCIG – Footscray	"WCIG's Social Enterprise Group provides paid, supported employment and training opportunities in cleaning, gardening, asset maintenance and retail within three commercial social firms".	4-8 Parker Street, Footscray, VIC, 3011 (03) 9689 3437
Yooralla – Footscray	Within Yooralla's Business Enterprises, participants can work in areas such as manufacturing, packing and shipping of goods, catering, agriculture, horticulture and customer service.	79 Hyde Street, Footscray, VIC, 3011 (03) 9689 1611

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Social Engagement

Social skills form the basis of positive relationships and are an integral part of functioning successfully within a society. Social skills include effective communication, expressing ones needs, being considerate of the needs of others, accepting criticism without being defensive, being flexible, cooperating with others and being mindful of body language. The benefits of social engagement and community connections are substantial. When people feel connected and engaged, they feel safer, happier, more focused and more receptive to learning and participation.

Opportunities for Social Engagement

Organisation:	Brief Summary:	Contact Information:
Mambourin	Mambourin offers weekend activities including tenpin bowling, movies, Melbourne and Werribee Zoo visits, AFL matches, live music, dance parties, music therapy programs, car shows and racing, wrestling, local markets, live shows and tours of museums and art galleries.	**Altona** 130 Queen Street, Altona, VIC, 3016. (03) 9313 0800 **Werribee** 11 Walls Rd, Werribee, VIC, 3030 (03) 9731 9200
Annecto	Annecto offers a range of courses through their learning hub including community volunteering, gardening, cooking, painting, drawing, contemporary photography, dance, bike riding, swimming, competition snooker, bowling, computer skills, renovating and building with woodwork.	**Annecto Yarraville David House Learning Hub** Little David Street (Entry via Kingston St), Yarraville VIC 3013 (03) 9314 0988
Gen U	GenU offers an Adventure Program including abseiling, surfing, bike riding, fishing or sailing are accessible. GenU also offers a gaming program with focuses such as video games, collectible card games miniature painting, RPG, fan clubs, war games and board games.	**GenU Wyndham Park House** 53A Kookaburra Ave, Werribee, VIC 3030 1300 558 368
Scope	Scope offers a range of leisure programs including: - Art Kaleidoscope: Art workshops, competitions and an annual exhibition. - Telsescope: Writing workshops, competitions and annual readings showcase. - Ocra: Theatre and improvisation.	1300 472 673 contact@scopeaust.org.au
Yooralla	Yooralla community hub offers art workshops, computer skills, cooking, day trips, gardening, music therapy, swimming programs and volunteering. The **Footscray** hub is aimed at high functioning students and building work ready skills. The **St Albans** hub is aimed at lower functioning students and focuses on social skills and community engagement.	**Footscray** 79 Hyde Street, Footscray, VIC, 3011 (03) 9689 1611 **St Albans** 1 Andrea Street St Albans, VIC, 3021 (03) 9310 8704

Encompass	Encompass offer community-based daytime, overnight and weekend activities for adults who live with a disability. Although NDIS recommended, participants can pay privately, via pay-as-you-go.	79 Gheringhap Street Geelong VIC 3220 Janelle: (03) 5222 3377 or 0419 943 955
Australia's Men's Shed Association	Australian Men's Shed Association facilitates making friendships and talking about mental health, all in a safe and busy environment. Projects within Men's Sheds can range from building and construction to emailing and cooking.	This program is run in several locations. Use this URL to locate your nearest shed. https://mensshed.org/find-a-shed/#map_top

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Additional Helpful Information

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)

What is the NDIS?

The NDIS provides funding to people that have permanent or significant disability. Additionally, the NDIS can provide people with disability connections to local services such as sporting clubs, doctors, social groups and supported learning opportunities. More information can be found at the URL https://www.ndis.gov.au/understanding/what-ndis.

How to apply for NDIS

The NDIS website offers an NDIS checklist that you can go through to see if you are eligible to apply. This checklist is available at the URL https://www.ndis.gov.au/applying-access-ndis/am-i-eligible.

If you meet the criteria, you can call **1800 800 110** and ask to make an Access Request. You will need to complete an Access Request form which can be found at https://www.ndis.gov.au/how-apply-ndis/what-access-request-form. Once this form is completed, you can email it to NAT@ndis.gov.au or contact your local NDIA office. If you experience any difficulty completing the Access Request form, support can be sought by calling 1800 800 110.

Once you have successfully been approved for NDIS, a local area coordinator will visit with you and help you form your plan. This plan will then be reviewed annually to allow for changes. More information can be found at https://www.ndis.gov.au/participants/how-planning-process-works.

National Disability Insurance Agency	
National Disability Insurance Scheme Sunshine	Level 6, 12 Clarke Street, Sunshine, 3020, VIC 1800 800 110
National Disability Insurance Scheme Moonee Ponds	Level 7, 641 mt Alexander Rd, Moonee Ponds, 3039, VIC 1800 800 110

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