Traveling To My Job At Russo's Market By, Star Student



I have a plant maintenance job at Russo's Market in Watertown, Massachusetts.



I work every Wednesday in the greenhouse area. The staff are very nice to all of us.

After first period I leave my classroom or cottage to meet up with my teacher, Marion, using voice or sighted guide to travel with my staff to the Perkins Horticulture Center. I am able to travel independently but need occasional voice reminders.



While at the Greenhouse, I have a snack and drink. I use the restroom, and assist my teacher or staff to prepare materials I will need for Russo's Market. I need to bring a tray organizer insert, watering can, and apron. I must also gather my cane, purse, and any other belongings.

When we all arrive at Russo's, I need some sighted guide assistance to get out of the van, and then to walk to the Floral Shop area, while I carry my cane. I wait for my teacher or volunteer, to gather my cart and we set up the work space. After putting on my apron, I help to place the



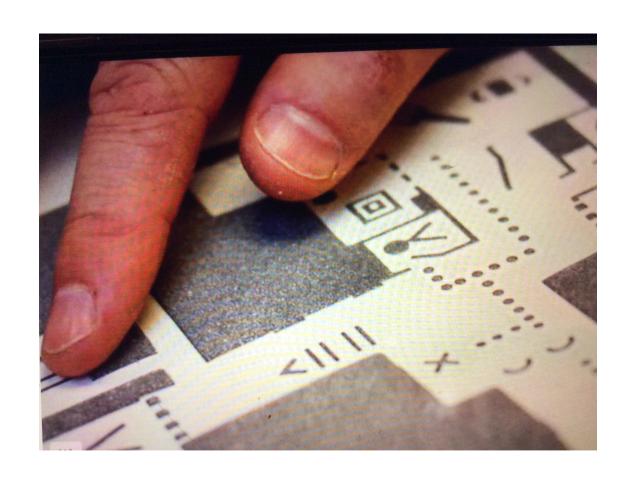
When it is time to clean up, my staff or volunteer instruct me to clean up my work space. Then, they take me sighted guide to the food counter to pick out a snack after describing what is available.

My teacher lets me listen to my favorite Country tunes while we travel in the car. I love to use my iPhone for music, videos, and to use the alarm as a reminder, so I know when it is time to go to class or when it is time for break.



My teacher thinks I should learn about some cool Apps this year, which I can use on my iPhone! She told me about BlindSquare, Seeing AI, and Money Reader. I can use the iPhone and iPad very well!

Another way I practice traveling is through verbal description while my teacher shows me a tactile map of the building or pathways.



I prefer to use my phone or sighted guide, rather than tactile maps. They are not so cool!

I do a great job taking care of the plants! My teacher wants me to learn easy ways to travel and to become more independent with my job!



I have been a Horticulture student for a long time. I really enjoy working with fruits, vegetables, and flowers!