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TENNESSEE REHABILITATION CENTER HOLDS AUGUST GRADUATION *DOZENS OF STUDENTS NOW READY TO ENTER THE WORKFORCE*

WHAT: More than 70 young men and women with significant disabilities will don cap and gown and walk or roll their wheelchairs across the stage during graduation exercises at the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center (TRC) in Smyrna this week. While at the TRC, students were trained in various fields to help them enter or return to the workforce and attain a better quality of life. Business Education, Food Service and Groundskeeping are just a few of the programs offered at TRC. The 74 graduates represent communities from all over Tennessee—from Cornersville to Clarksville, and Mosheim to Memphis.

WHEN: Friday, August 28
10:00 a.m.

WHERE: Tennessee Rehabilitation Center
460 Ninth Avenue
Smyrna, Tenn. (near the National Guard barracks)

MORE: The Tennessee Rehabilitation Center is a state-operated comprehensive rehabilitation facility. It is one of only eight such centers in the nation. Services are provided on campus, and the majority of clients live on site while enrolled in TRC programs. The length of programs offered at the TRC varies, depending upon the individual client's interest, abilities and needs. More than 1,300 individuals with disabilities are served at the TRC each year. Since the center opened in 1977, the TRC has served over 28,000 Tennesseans.

TRC is part of the Division of Rehabilitation Services at the Tennessee Department of Human Services. For more information, please visit our website at:
<http://state.tn.us/humanserv/rehab/trc.html>

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