

Transition Programs Frequently Asked Questions



Do you offer an extended school year?

Yes! It is an extension of the regular school year curriculum and runs from July through mid-August.

How is the program funded?

The transition programs are funded by the Department of Education. School districts typically refer students to enroll in the program.

What is a typical day like?

All students participate in an internship experience half of the school day and participate in lessons on career preparation, independent living skills, safety skills, and social skills instruction the remainder of the day.

What types of internships are offered?

Currently, students have experiences in restaurant, retail, assisting seniors, office work, healthcare, customer service, information technology, landscaping, and general maintenance. New work sites are developed based on current student needs and interests.

What is job sampling?

Our students participate in job sampling which means they are interning at a different job each day of the week. Typically, our student internships change about every 6 months so they have opportunities to explore various work environments and tasks. New sites are developed frequently depending on interest of the individuals enrolled in the program.

Are internships paid?

Some employers do provide pay for internships. However, most internships are unpaid.

How are students supported on their internships?

Our staff provide job coaching to each student each time they are at their internship. From day one, we are working to increase independence on the work site, and fade our distance, but will always be with them onsite when they attend in internship shift.