

Course Proposal

Department: Workplace and Vocational Experience

The why for this proposal:

We are proposing that 11th and 12th grade students who are actively employed and receiving financial compensation will be allowed to receive school credit for their individual employment. Students must have an active supervisor who is willing to provide feedback to the designated high school contact (Workplace Learning Coordinator or School Counselor) indicating student's strengths and areas to improve as well as attendance feedback. Students will receive a mid-term and final review from the employer via a rubric. The need for this course was largely identified by the Benton Community DCAP team.

Course Title/Grades/Credits/Prerequisite/ and Course Description to be included in Course Book:

0903 School-to-Work Experience

11-12 0.5 credit unit (1 Quarter)

Prerequisite Approval of Principal

Course Description:

11th and 12th grade students who are gainfully employed may request to receive school credit for their employment. The course will provide meaningful career-related work experience and engagement with structured evaluation/reflection between the employee, teacher of record, and employer. Students will work a minimum (or average) of 7 hours/week throughout the course. Work-based learning prepares students for college and career readiness by helping them make informed decisions about their life goals and learning specific career-related skills.

Considerations:

- The request will be granted on a case-by-case basis as determined by the building principal.
- Agreement between student, parent, and employer must be made prior to course beginning.
- Supported by Benton Community, Workplace Learning Connection, and area business.

0902

SCHOOL TO WORK INTERNSHIP

11-12

½ credit unit (1 quarter)

Students are required to apply for internship prior to the start of the quarter

Students in grades 11 and 12 may earn credits for a supervised internship. Students work with the Workplace Learning Connection to obtain internships in the local area. The Workplace Learning Connection coordinates the set-up and evaluation process. Students are required to complete journals, log hours and participate in 3 meetings during the term (held during the school day). Interns are required to log 90 hours of work time during the quarter. Summer opportunities are available. Application deadlines will be announced as they appear. Students may not use current part-time employment as an internship opportunity. Internship descriptions are available at www.workplace-learning.org, click on Students, then Internships. Please see Mrs. Nesbitt in the School Counseling office if you are interested in this opportunity.