

Event Name: Grow Our Own: Summer Internships 2025

This event fact sheet provides quick reference information for staff, students, and families to ensure everyone has access to the same key information about this event. This is a live document and will be updated as information becomes available.

BACKGROUND: We are excited to announce that our "Grow our Own" Work-Based Learning (WBL) Program will be

offered once again this summer. Students complete their internship in one of our school district's many departments including School Nutrition Services, Strategic Planning, Transportation and more. In addition to completing the internship, students will attend a WBL Seminar class and receive high

school course credit.

PURPOSE: The Grow Our Own program, developed by the Department of College and Career Readiness, gives

students opportunities to develop skills through internships.

WHO: Rising 11th and 12th grade students who are 16 years old by July 1, 2025

WHAT: Students must apply. Thirty (30) - spots are available. Admitted students will -

be enrolled in a Work-Based Learning seminar course (qualifies as one high school WBL credit).
 The seminar course is required and will be conducted asynchronously on Canvas and synchronously with Google Meet

- complete a 40-hour internship between July 7 July 31, 2025. Students will be paid \$15/hr. The
 assigned department head will determine internship work dates and times.
- fill out appropriate employment documentation for Chesapeake Public Schools

 *Department opportunities are available in the online application.

ONLINE APPLICATION WINDOW: Monday, March 31 - Friday, April 11, 2025

WHERE: Online course is completed virtually. Student Internships will be completed at various locations

throughout the district. Mandatory Synchronous Instruction July 7-10 from 8:30 am - 11:30 am and

July 31 from 8:30 am - 10:00 am.

TIMELINE: March 31: Application opens (application link)

April 11: Application deadline (Application will close at 4 PM)

April 23: Students notified of acceptance via school issued email

May 6 or 14: Informational webinar for admitted students and their families

May 23: All HR documents are due

June 30: Online WBL Seminar Course beginsJuly 7: Earliest starting day for InternshipsJuly 31: Online WBL Seminar Course ends

WORK-BASED LEARNING COORDINATORS:

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