

The Georgetown Project

Summer Youth Employment Program-2021

(SYEP)



The Georgetown Project is partnering with local businesses to offer Georgetown and surrounding area high school students the opportunity to participate in the Summer Youth Employment Program. SYEP is a paid summer internship that offers valuable work experiences in entry-level employment positions.

To qualify, applicant must be:

- Currently enrolled in a High School in Georgetown during 2020-2021 School Year
- Must be at least 16 years old
- Willing to work up to 20 hours per week
- Willing to work up to 8 weeks
- Available June and July
- Able to obtain transportation to and from work site
- Have parent signature on Application

SYEP not only connects students with employment, but also provides guidance through the entire employment process. Students will learn how to obtain and keep a job, conduct themselves in a professional manner, value time commitments on the job and constructively use work site evaluation feedback to develop their workplace skills. SYEP may be the first opportunity the students have had to learn these skills that are crucial to future employment success. This is further supported by research done by Christopher Ruhm with data provided by the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth. Students who worked during their final year of high school obtained access to jobs in higher- status occupations and were more likely to receive health insurance coverage and pension coverage from their employers than their peers who did not work. In addition, these students also obtained significantly higher annual earnings than their non-enrolled counterparts seven to 10 years after high school. Even 20 hours a week of youth work experience made a lifelong impact on these student's careers and futures.

SYEP Process:

- Complete application (Due by May 5th)
- SYEP Parent Meeting May 26th
- Attend Job Readiness Training June 1st & 2nd
- Interview with local business partner
- Arrange internship schedule
- Report for internship
- Work Site Supervisor will complete evaluations twice during internship
- Every other week Student and TGP staff will discuss internship
- Pre/Post Essays and develop resume with TGP staff and/or Work Site Supervisor
- Attend SYEP Completion Celebration August 6th

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