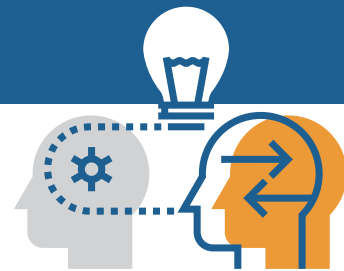


South Plains TEACHER AND COUNSELOR EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM Business Overview



To prepare students for the workforce, externships are an effective conduit through which teachers and counselors acquire valuable experience within an industry. Through this program, teachers and counselors gain industry perspective for the skills training their students need to be successful in the real world. Externships also give businesses an opportunity to impart knowledge of career opportunities, hiring trends, and required skills for work in various industry sectors.

The South Plains Teacher and Counselor Externship experience will provide teachers and counselors with three working days at a local business in the summer of 2022. This is not a tour; businesses are asked to provide teachers with hands-on experience and opportunities for observation in their business.

For South Plains teachers and counselors (primarily grades 6-12) to be selected they must submit an application. The South Plains Teacher and Counselor Externship program pays teachers a \$700 stipend to complete the externship over three working days. Additionally, teachers and counselors will create lesson plans from the experience and present them to their peers.

Participating businesses are NOT committing to compensate teachers in any way.

PROCESS

FRIDAY, MAY 20 - Teachers and counselors notified of acceptance and employer placement employers complete a commitment form with contact information, hours of work, location, and dress expectations to be provided to teachers.

BUSINESS COMMITMENTS

- Hands-On Relevant Experience
- Connection/shadowing with motivated staff members
- Willingness to include teachers in normal operations
- Communicate expectations with teachers and counselors
- Host at least one extern for three consecutive days for one week

TIMING

- There are seven externship weeks this summer. Businesses are welcome to host multiple externs in a week and over as many weeks as they desire.
- Teachers and counselors have identified their availability for the following weeks:
 - June 6-12
 - June 13-19
 - June 20-26
 - June 27-July 3
 - July 5-10
 - July 11-17
 - July 18-24
 - July 25-31



We appreciate your interest in furthering the education of students in the South Plains and your willingness to welcome a teacher or counselor to your business/organization for this experience. We look forward to a wonderful partnership for the teachers and businesses of the South Plains!

If interested in hosting a teacher or counselor, email externship@spworkforce.org, or call 806-744-1987 for more information.

In partnership with:

Lubbock Economic Development Alliance, Workforce Solutions South Plains, Region 17 ESC, and Texas Workforce Commission

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