

JOLIET TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 204**Partnership Agreement with
Redeemed Connection Ministries N.F.P.****JTHS MISSION**

The mission of Joliet Township High School, a historically rich, unified, and innovative learning community, is to empower every student to compete and contribute positively to our community and global society by providing a rigorous and personalized education through an academy environment.

Overview

During the summer of 2026, Joliet Township High School District 204 will partner with Redeemed Connection Ministries N.F.P to provide paid job preparation training and lawn maintenance summer job training for identified students receiving services within the district. Students that participate in the program will become better equipped for employment opportunities through the job, and basic business start-up training provided by the program. At the conclusion of the program, students will receive a letter of reference outlining their training, participation, and completion of the job preparation training and lawn maintenance summer program. On behalf of the students, R.C.M. will also seek to partner with other lawn maintenance providers to refer participants for employment.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION*How does this program relate to the goals of both parties?*

The Job Preparation Training and Lawn Maintenance Summer Program will create new job training opportunities in the city of Joliet and surrounding areas for students at JTHS. This opportunity will provide growth and development for all parties involved as well as generate money and opportunities for trainees, residents, businesses, and organizations within the community. By participating in the program, students will be able to utilize their new training skills, finance business opportunities, to help themselves, residents, business, organizations within their communities, the city of Joliet, and surrounding areas.

Project Outline

During the summer of 2026, Redeemed Connection Ministries N.F.P will provide paid job preparation training and lawn maintenance summer job training for 7 identified students receiving services within the district.

Program Objectives

1. To provide job training opportunities to students enrolled in JTHS.
2. To increase job training opportunities within the Joliet community and the surrounding areas
3. To provide opportunities to create connections with students that have experienced despair and social-emotional disparities directly related to lack of training, work experience, and financial concerns within the home.
4. To provide participants with skills and information that will allow them to obtain and maintain employment as well as become potential entrepreneurs.

Program Deliverables

Deliverable	Description
Assessment	<p>Making a thorough assessment of the student's current situation mentally and physically to determine if the student is eligible for our program and in what capacity.</p> <p>Students are given an explanation of the program and interviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety• Health• A willingness to learn skills associated with the functions of the program.
Training	<p>Assigning the student to the proper training within our program to complete both job preparation and lawn maintenance summer job training program.</p> <p>The list below provides some examples of training provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Workplace Safety with OSHA safety topics.• Equipment handling

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resume, applications, and interviews
Intern Trainee's	<p>Students will be assigned to the designated team and locations to begin lawn maintenance training, hands-on operations, and equipment utilization techniques.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identified student at JTHS 204
Referrals, Placement, and Tracking.	<p>Upon completion of the training, the trainee will be receiving a training certificate.</p> <p>Trainees will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthen self-efficacy and self-awareness of strengths. • Know employer expectations in relation to employee soft skills: punctuality, preparedness, knowing and following rules. • Be equipped to apply for and interview for various positions. • Have training in lawn maintenance areas. • Know the basics of starting a small business. • Trainees who agree will be included in the aftercare and follow-up process. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Receive continued guidance and support. ○ Help with career/vocational planning. ○ Letters of Recommendation ○ Help with job applications, resumes, and interview practice.

What are the expectations for both parties?

Joliet Township High School District 204 will be responsible for:

- Work with Redeemed Connection Ministries N.F.P to establish programming, schedule, costs for the summer program, identification of students, facility for training (space during first 3 weeks), graduation ceremony (dinner and some supplies) and some program materials.

- Approximate Cost: \$1,200.00 (\$1,000.00-grad dinner and \$200 materials/supplies.)
- RCM covers cost for photographer graduation pictures, location, and video and sound.
- To identify students who are current juniors, or seniors, ages 17 -18 receiving special services to participate in the summer program.
- Schedule monthly meetings with Redeemed Connection Ministries N.F.P to discuss program and concerns.
- Funding for internship stipends, Consultant, (contract will not exceed 7 students) **plus Assistant Class & Field Coordinator** (information below) which will be covered by DHS/DRS Grant.
- Consultant \$ 115.00 per. Hour. 4hrs daily, = \$ 460.00 x 4 days = \$ 1,840.00 wkly. \$ 14,720 for 8 weeks. The first 3 weeks 6/9-6/26 (\$5,520) paid through IDEA and the last 5 weeks 6/30 -7/31 (\$9,200) paid through Medicaid.

<p>Internship Stipend Check Min. Wage with HR 16.875 per hour</p> <p>8 students= \$17,280</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Stipend for completing weekly training program goals. ● Stipend cost for 8 wks. Student of training goals completion in 8 wks. ● Stipend cost for 7 Student Trainees for 8 wks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● \$ 270.00 (per. Student wkly.) ● \$ 2,160 (per. Student 8-wks) ● Total 8 weeks' stipend cost: \$ 15,120.00
<p>Assistant Class & Field Coordinator</p>	<p>Returning student from previous year program</p>	<p>\$ 270.00 wkly. \$ 2,160.00 (8 weeks).</p>
<p>Total Cost</p>		<p>\$17,280.00</p>

Redeemed Connection Ministries NFP. responsibilities:

- Provide a positive work environment at partner locations.
- Truck and trailer insurance for vehicles participating in the program.
- Instructor and lawn equipment required for the summer job preparation training and lawn maintenance summer job training.
- Provide parents and students with a schedule and any changes that may occur during the summer experience.
- Provide meaningful programming experience as it relates to Joliet Township District 204.
- Provide the students with the same consideration given to other program participants and employees that are associated with the summer job preparation training and lawn maintenance summer job training.
- Yearly commitment to be reviewed annually.

Start Date: June 8, 2026,

End Date: July 30, 2026

Graduation Date Tentatively Set for July 30th. 2026.

Annual Review of Collaboration Date: 1/7/27

JTHS Administrator Signature

Date

Sheleah Bessett

04/07/26

Redeemed Connection Ministries N.F.P Rep Signature

Date

SUBMITTED

APR 07 2026

Joliet Township High School District 204.

Partnership agreement with.

Redeemed Connection Ministries N.F.P.

Addendum, to add two additional students to the partnership agreement.

This addendum is submitted in response to the request from the reviewing body, which met on 3/4/26. To Add 2 Additional Students. Regarding the paid job preparation training and lawn maintenance summer job training for identified students. Receiving services within the district.

Summary of modifications.

1. Program Enrollment Adjustment.
Revised number of students.

A total additional number of students to be added 2.

Program Delivery Adjustments

1. Program materials for 2 additional student trainees.
2. Additional instructional hours (0).
3. Student support services, one additional support staff needed \$ 2,160.00 for (RCM) for eight weeks.
4. Administrative oversight for the 2 additional students (see # 3).

Revised Budget

1. Cost per additional student: $\$ 2,295.00 \times 2 = \$ 4,590.00$
2. Cost for support staff needed for (RCM) \$ 2,160.00 for the eight weeks.
3. Total revised additional cost: \$ 6,750.00

Please review and confirm acceptance of this addendum.

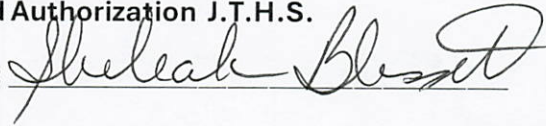
Submitted by: Redeemed Connection Ministries NFP. Date: 3-16-26

Rev. Adrian Heath President & CEO

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Approval and Authorization J.T.H.S.

Accepted by:



Date:

4/7/26