

New Course Description Proposal for the Board

CTE Internship

We are currently encountering a new generation of student learners and are considering the best approach to prepare students for success in post-secondary education after high school. At Hinckley-Big Rock High School, we aim to introduce a course that will help students connect classroom learning to the real world, with a positive impact on student engagement and retention. This will allow students to earn industry credentials before graduation, build the technical and interpersonal skills necessary for success in the workplace, and carve out a pathway into the labor market. Schools alone cannot offer the range of experiences our students need to meet those challenges and succeed in the 21st century. For this reason, business and community organizations are playing an increasingly important role in education.

Goal

The Hinckley-Big Rock High School District 429 offers senior students the opportunity to select a course their senior year called Work-Based Learning (WBL) Internship. This opportunity allows students to develop essential employability skills and technical competencies related to an FCS career of interest through authentic, hands-on experience. The Work-Based Learning (WBL) internship is designed to promote students' success in postsecondary education and careers, with a focus on a specific field. This program centers on varying levels of engagement from community businesses and industry to provide authentic learning experiences for students in the classroom.

Credits

- .5 Credit
- 1 semester
- Meets Consumer Education requirement

Course Requirements

- Senior Course
- Completed 2 or more CTE courses

<p><u>Agriculture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intro to Ag - Small Engines & Welding - Woodworking - Horticulture - Pre-Vet - Entrepreneurship 	<p><u>Arts</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drawing 1 - Drawing 2 - Painting - 3D Art 1 - 3D Art 2 - Photo and Design 1 - Photo and Design 2 - Senior Studio 	<p><u>Information Technology</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programming 1 - Programming 2 - Web Design 1 - Web Design 2
<p><u>Family and Consumer Sciences</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intro to Foods - Advanced Foods - Child Development - Interior Design - Fashion Design and Merchandising - Independent Study 	<p><u>Finance and Business Services</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consumer Ed. - Agriculture Business - Wabounssee Course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ECN 100 - FIN 205 	<p><u>Health Sciences</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biology 2

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- Declared an interest in a field of study aligned with Family and Consumer Sciences or a CTE Focus
- Application and interview process
- Declared field and partnership by the spring semester
- 60 hours of paid or unpaid internship time
 - Students will attend 1-2 classes per week for course content
 - Students will be off campus 3-4 days per week at their internship site
- Transportation secured