



WHERE EDUCATION GOES TO WORK

Become a part of an innovative apprenticeship program designed to further train and prepare students to fill workforce shortages in the STEM and business operations career fields. Students can apply for this program after completing 1-2 years of training at the Forrest Center.

What is Tech Jobs Rule?

A partnership between the Forrest Technology Center (SMCPS), The Patuxent Partnership (TPP) and the Strategic Education Office (SEO) of Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division (NAWCAD) to match talented high school students interested in working in STEM and business operations career fields, with paid apprenticeship opportunities in local industry and government.

Local industry and government agencies evaluate demands signals and determine the need for skilled workers in a particular area. Paid apprenticeships are offered in that area.

Students approaching their final year of high school and have completed 1-2 years of a Forrest Technology Center program are eligible to apply for these paid apprenticeships. The companies or government agencies interview the students and make selections based on the students' resumes and interviews.

An individualized work plan is developed for each apprentice by an apprenticeship coordinator working with representatives from the business/agency.

Youth Apprenticeship Programs at Forrest Technology Center

**Automotive Refinishing & Repair
Automotive Technology
CADD
Carpentry
Diesel Technology
Electrical Wiring
Engineering
Graphic Communications
Hospitality and Tourism
IT Networking
Manufacturing Engineering
Natural Resources
Teacher Academy
Technology
TV/Video Production
Welding**

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Benefit to Employers

Student apprentices have completed basic training and are eager to learn.

Train apprentices in areas in which your company has recurrent or future demand.

No retraining. Apprentices are instructed in your procedures and policies without having to "unlearn" something learned elsewhere.

Apprenticeship Coordinators help to create the Work Plan, monitor student progress, assist company mentors and help instill and reinforce soft skills in apprentices.

Short term hires with the option to offer full time employment to apprentices.

Benefits to Students

Begin an apprenticeship in a high demand career field while also earning credits toward a high school diploma.

Learn from mentors who are leaders in the field and their companies.

Get valuable hands-on industry experience.

Earn money while learning valuable sought-after skills.

