

SUMMER WORK & LEARNING

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About the summer program

The Summer Work and Learning Program is a supportive opportunity to gain paid work experience for students who attend one of our five partner school districts: Attleboro, Mansfield, Norton, North Attleboro, and Seekonk. Eligible youth complete summer internships, either in the community or in small groups, to acquire employable skills in a real workplace environment. While interning, youth simultaneously complete a work development curriculum to build the necessary soft skills in emerging workers. Youth receive compensation for both work and learning while getting to test out the workforce before actually entering it!

Farm to Table and Maintenance

These two groups worked side by side in an effort to beautify some common areas within our community. Through our partnership with the Attleboro Land Trust, student groups started off at Richardson's Nature Preserve cleaning trails and marking the way for future hikers. The remainder of the summer consisted of improving the grounds at Brennan Middle School which has been subject to damage from heavy machinery and equipment on their lawns due to construction at the new high school. The students cleared tracks and debris, spread mulch, planted new raised beds, and so much more. Part of their journey took them to Studley and Thatcher Elementary schools as well. Lastly, the crew spent a day at Crossroads International Church to help them prepare for the start of some exciting planned renovations.

Culinary

The culinary group consisted of six superstar chefs-in-training that helped feed the community of Attleboro! Each week a "Grab and Go" menu was thoughtfully planned out and prepared by the team, allowing them to serve fresh meals to local food pantries. A total of 700 meals were donated over the course of the summer!



Extra meals were sold to staff members at Brennan Middle School and the profit was put towards an End of Summer Fair to celebrate all the students' hard work!

Community Internships

We are beyond proud of our 13 Attleboro youth that secured individual internships through the power of YouthWorks. These interns excelled in every way and community employers were beyond impressed with their work. Two were offered regular, paid employment following the summer program. The diversity in types of internships provided students with various interests to pursue careers with sites such as My Technology Specialist, Lambco, GH Electric, and the Attleboro YMCA. Thank you to the wonderful employers who opened their workplace to support our youth. Reach out to a career specialist today if you would be interested in hosting your own YouthWorks intern!





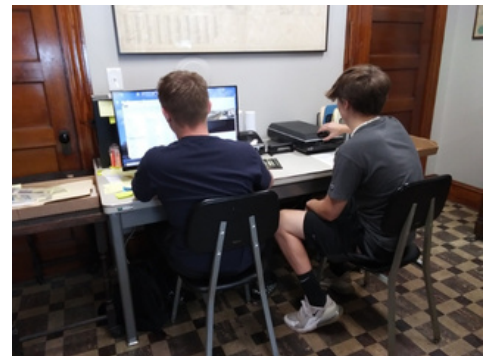
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Community Internships Continued

Four Mansfield students completed individual internships. One student assisted with the clean up of Qualters Middle School, working with Mansfield Public Schools' maintenance team to prepare the building for the upcoming year. Another learned about non-profit work and completed various projects at the Mass Arts Center to further beautify their spectacular space. Lastly, two students worked together at the Mansfield Historical Society scanning, uploading, and organizing historical memorabilia in preparation of creating a digital archive for the town. Each MHS student had enriching experiences at their site, built strong connections with their supervisors, and made a tremendous impact on their community in a number of ways.

A Norton High School student interned at the Attleboro YMCA as a Youth and Community Outreach Partner working in the Childwatch program with children ages infant through eleven. In addition, she provided support to the Welcome Center Desk and acted as a liaison with community partners. Following a successful placement in the summer program, she was offered a regular paid position in the organization!



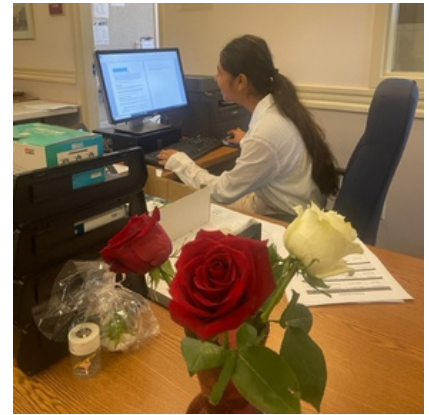
North Attleboro Park & Recreation employed NAHS students at their Summer Playground program. Students helped supervise campers and ensure their safety, development, growth, skill achievement, and general well-being.

Several students from Seekonk had a busy summer. Three students assisted the custodial team at Seekonk High School and one student assisted the camp counselors at the Newman YMCA. The students working at the high school assisted the custodians in a complete cleaning of the entire school. Their assistance was greatly appreciated by the custodial staff with this extensive summer project. The student who worked at the Newman YMCA very much enjoyed working with the elementary age students who participated in the summer camp. He helped instruct them in a variety of games and activities.

Student participants of the 2022 Summer of Work and Learning Program showcased their skills and brightened communities across the Bristol region. Over forty youth workers set out across Attleboro, Mansfield, North Attleboro, Norton, and Seekonk to complete internships aligned with their current interests and future endeavors.

A GLIMPSE INTO OUR SUMMER

PICTURE GALLERY



THANK YOU!

The Attleboro Area School to Career Partnership would like to thank the sites and supervisors who provided productive, meaningful work for our youth. You truly make a difference in their lives.

Interested in hosting an intern? Email us for more information:
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