

Polk Academies Needs Your Help!

Greetings Business Partners,

Polk Academies is in the process of developing a job shadowing program for teachers. This experiential learning experience is designed to expose teachers to specific industries, careers and work environments so they can work more effectively with students. Many of our career and technical education teachers have been away from the industry environment and inside the classroom for several years. This job shadowing program provides an opportunity for them to observe first-hand what the 21st century workplace entails while interacting with business professionals. It allows teachers to create a link between the skills and knowledge taught in the classroom and those being used in the workplace.

Here is how you can help. We have approximately 40 teachers who are interested in taking advantage of this program. This three-day job shadowing experience will take place from July 26th -28th and teachers will be paid a stipend from the school district. If your organization is willing to host a teacher (or multiple teachers) during this time period, please contact Teresa Griffin at teresa.griffin@polk-fl.net or by calling (863) 519-8438.

Please review the list below of industries, teachers have requested shadowing opportunities for. Please also consider forwarding this information onto any businesses/organizations that you feel may be interested in participating.



**Teacher Job Shadowing
July 26-28, 2017**

Through grant funding we are able to offer our teachers a three-day paid experiential learning experience over the summer. We have approximately 40 teachers who are interested in taking advantage of this program. Please review the list below to see which industries are in demand for job shadowing opportunities. **If your organization is willing to host a teacher (or multiple teachers) please contact Teresa Griffin at Teresa.griffin@polk-fl.net or by calling (863) 519-8438.**

Industry Requested	# of Shadowing Opportunities Needed
Agriculture	2
Aviation/Aerospace	1
Business	4
Business & Information Technology	2
Business/Marketing	2
Culinary	7
Early Childhood Education	1
Engineering/Manufacturing/Robotics	2
Geographic Information Systems	1
Graphic Design	1
Legal	1
Marketing/Graphic Design	1
Medical	2
Natural Resources/Wildlife	1
Power/Energy	1
Television Production/Digital Media/Film	8

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