
YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP AGREEMENT: APPRENTICESHIP MARYLAND

The Eligible Employer, School, and DLLR must have a completed and fully signed copy of this Youth Apprenticeship Agreement on file within 30 days of the student's start date.

This agreement is between:

_____,
Youth Apprentice

_____,
Parent/Guardian

_____, and
Eligible Employer

School District

for a youth Apprenticeship in the eligible career track occupation of _____.

The Youth Apprentice agrees to:

- Maintain the academic and attendance requirements of the program;
- Observe company rules and other requirements identified by the Eligible Employer;
- Participate in progress reviews scheduled with supervisors/mentors or school personnel, as deemed necessary and appropriate; and
- Comply with safety laws and respect Eligible Employer processes during the term of the youth apprenticeship.

The Eligible Employer agrees to:

- Upon submission of the original Eligible Employer application to the Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Council (MATC) and the Secretary of DLLR, provide a brief description of the on-the-job tasks, associated work processes, and competencies that the youth apprentice will be expected to master in the Eligible Career Track occupation;
- Employ the youth apprentice for at least 450 hours within a specified period (not to exceed 14 months);
- Instruct the youth apprentice in the required work processes/competencies associated with their occupation with the employer;
- Provide assurance of qualified training personnel such as a supervisor/mentor for a youth apprentice, with a description of the supervisor/mentor's role and qualifications;
- Pay the youth apprentice for all work performed during the program at no less than minimum wage;
- Establish the hours of work for the youth apprentice and comply with applicable child labor and employment of minors laws with regard to number of hours worked, prohibited occupations and equipment, and time of day employment for youth apprentices;
- Conduct periodic and regular performance evaluations of the youth apprentice as deemed appropriate;
- Provide safety instruction in work practices;
- Provide safe equipment and facilities in compliance with OSHA requirements; and
- Comply with all applicable state and federal child labor laws;

The Youth Apprentice's Parent or Guardian agrees to:

- Assist the youth apprentice in meeting the academic and attendance requirements of the program;
- Ensure transportation to and from the worksite is provided; and
- Follow all rules and guidelines established for the program by the local school system.

The School District agrees to:

- Ensure the youth apprentice will meet high school requirements and the student will have the opportunity to successfully complete all requirements of the Apprenticeship Maryland program;
- Award credit toward graduation for both the related instruction and the on-the-job training component; and
- Provide safety instruction for work considered hazardous under child labor laws.

The parties to this agreement also agree to comply with the following assurances:

- A. No individual shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, subjected to discrimination under, or denied employment in the administration of or in connection with any youth apprenticeship program on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation or belief, or sexual orientation.
- B. Youth apprentices will be provided with adequate and safe equipment and a safe and healthful workplace in conformity with all health and safety standards of Federal and State law.
- C. The Office of the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation will establish and maintain a procedure for complaint resolution. A copy of the complaint resolution procedure will be provided to the parties upon assignment to the program.
- D. Youth apprentices will not displace any currently employed worker (including a partial displacement, such as a reduction in the hours of non-overtime work, wages, or employment benefits).
- E. The Apprenticeship Maryland program will not impair existing contracts for services or collective bargaining agreements. Any youth apprenticeship program that would be inconsistent with the terms of a collective bargaining agreement shall be approved only with the written concurrence of the labor organization and Eligible Employer involved.
- F. An Eligible Employer will not hire a youth apprentice when:
 - 1. Any other individual is on temporary layoff, with the clear possibility of recall, from the same or any substantially equivalent jobs or
 - 2. The Eligible Employer has terminated the employment of any regular employee or otherwise reduced its workforce with the intention of filling the vacancy so created with a youth apprentice.
- G. A work permit may be required for youth apprentices for work performed as a part of this program.
- H. Pupil records released pursuant to this agreement will not be further disclosed without prior written consent of the youth apprentice and/or the parent or guardian.

Responsibilities in the implementation of this agreement:

The undersigned parties agree to enter into a youth apprenticeship authorized by § 11-603 of the Labor and Employment Article of the Maryland Annotated Code for the purpose of educating the student in the eligible career track area of: _____.

Description of Eligible Career Track Occupation:

Apprenticeship Maryland Program area: _____

The youth apprentice will spend:

_____ hours per week in related classroom instruction and

_____ hours per week in on-the-job learning.

Starting wage for the youth apprentice will be \$_____ (minimum wage or higher) per hour.

The apprenticeship:

will begin on _____ (month/day/year) and

be completed by _____ (month/day/year)

Eligible Employer Representative:

I hereby represent I am a representative authorized to bind my company to the terms and conditions of the Apprenticeship Maryland Program set forth herein. I further acknowledge I have read and fully understand the enumerated program requirements.

_____ Printed Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date
_____ Title	_____ Company Name	
_____ Street Address	_____ City	_____ State
		_____ Zip Code
_____ E-mail Address	_____ Telephone Number	

Youth Apprentice:

I authorize the school to release progress, grades and attendance reports and to disclose any challenges to my success as an apprentice to the Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator identified on this agreement and the Apprenticeship Maryland Program staff at the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation while this agreement is in effect for the purpose of assisting me. Further, I have read and fully understand my commitment and obligations under the Apprenticeship Maryland Program.

_____ Printed Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date
_____ Street Address	_____ City, State	
		_____ Zip Code
_____ E-mail Address	_____ Telephone Number	_____ Date of Birth

Parent or Guardian:

As the parent or legal guardian of _____ (Student name), I authorize the school to release progress, grades and attendance reports and to disclose any challenges to the student's success as an apprentice to the Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator identified on this agreement and the Apprenticeship Maryland Program staff at the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation while this agreement is in effect for the purpose of assisting the youth apprentice. Further, I have read and fully understand my commitment and obligations under the Apprenticeship Maryland Program.

_____ Printed Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date
_____ E-mail Address	_____ Telephone Number	

Youth Apprenticeship Coordinator:

I hereby commit on behalf of _____ (school name) and as part of the Apprenticeship Maryland program to comply with the terms and conditions set forth herein to help _____ (student name) achieve success in the program. I pledge to act as a resource and a full partner with the student, parent, and eligible employer to ensure a successful student experience in Apprenticeship Maryland.

_____ Printed Name	_____ Signature	_____ Date
_____ E-mail Address	_____ Telephone Number	