

# 2020 ROCK EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM



## PROGRAM INFORMATION

Through the Rock Externship Program, high school staff will have the ability to immerse themselves in business environments and shadow specific occupations and/or disciplines for one week during the summer. The information and experiences gleaned from this focused engagement will then be incorporated into staff lesson plans and related curricula delivery models during the academic year.

Externship placements will be determined through an application and business worksite match-making process. Educators participating in the program will receive a cash stipend from their district, in the amount of \$500, for completing their June 15, week-long (i.e. 20 hour) summer externships.

**March 20, 2020**

Extern applications are due by 4:30 PM.

**March - April 2020**

Extern selection and interview processes conducted by the Externship Coordination Team.

**April - May 2020**

Confirmation of extern worksite placements by the Externship Coordination Team.

**June 15 - 19, 2020**

Externship Week

*(NOTE: Specific onsite reporting times and BTC's professional development details remain TBD)*

## EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Employers must have the organizational capacity to serve as an extern worksite, as demonstrated by past/experiential learning activities (e.g. internships, apprenticeships, job shadowing, mentoring, etc.).
- Employers must assign a primary contact as the extern worksite supervisor and also provide a secondary or back-up extern contact. The worksite supervisor must participate in the extern interview process and/or other program related activities; and agree to work collaboratively and communicate frequently with the Externship Coordination team throughout the Rock Externship Program.
- Employers must offer a comprehensive, holistic externship experience that extends beyond a specific subject or core competency. For examples, an extern working for a metal fabrication business should be exposed to more than the company's welding and fabrication operations
- Employers must be in good standing; and in compliance with all applicable local, state and/or federal workplace rules and regulations.
- Employers must have an established and documented safety plan.
- Employers must possess a corporate culture that values professional growth and development.
- Employers must agree to strictly adhere, as well as enforce, the program's guidelines.

Full participation details at: [www.YourRockExternship.com](http://www.YourRockExternship.com)

The Rock Externship Program is a collaborative, career preparation and readiness offering supported by area employers, BLACKHAWK TECHNICAL COLLEGE and ROCK COUNTY 5.0 to provide direct industry sector and career cluster exposure for high school teachers from any of the school districts throughout Rock County. While primarily targeted at Career & Technical Education, STEM, counseling and/or guidance staff, these externships will also be open to other high school personnel that have the ability to influence a student's Academic & Career Plan (ACP).



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