

# YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP

## HOW DOES THE YA PROGRAM WORK?

Students are eligible to begin the program the summer following their Sophomore year and may continue to participate in their Junior and Senior years. They may also begin the program during their Senior year. There are 13 career clusters that students can participate in, including but not limited to: Agriculture, Business, Education, Construction, Health Science, Information Technology, Manufacturing, Marketing, and Transportation. In partnership with Plymouth High School, Dana supports current and future Youth Apprenticeship (YA) students. She is available to help with career exploration, resume writing, searching for a job, and mock interviews. She also provides ongoing support to students throughout their YA employment. While the YA program works collaboratively with students in finding employment, students are responsible for taking the steps necessary to be successfully hired. Students must also maintain that employment, earn passing grades, and have appropriate attendance. Dana is in the building two school days per week in Room C108, and her calendar for the month is posted outside of that door. Please feel free to stop by!

In addition to the support of the staff at Plymouth High School, YA students receive mentorship and on-the-job training at their workplace. Their mentor ensures that as a YA student, they are gaining a specific set of skills that are essential within the workforce. This work-based learning experience bridges related instruction in the classroom to the reality of work in their anticipated career. To make all of this possible, the program relies on industry partners that support Plymouth High School by providing employment opportunities to our students. If you would like more information on hiring a Youth Apprentice, or otherwise sharing your expertise with students, please contact Dana.

