



Partner with Verona Area High School through **YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP**



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Wisconsin Youth Apprenticeship (YA) is an industry-driven, highly successful and nationally recognized talent acquisition strategy in which employers hire high school juniors and seniors for a one or two-year Youth Apprenticeship. The YA program is a transformative opportunity for high school students to unlock their potential and shape their future.

Empowering Students

Youth Apprenticeship combines school-based education with hands-on work experience, empowering students to develop essential employability and professional skills. Working under the guidance of a business mentor, students gain invaluable real-world experience while getting paid. Students also learn in the classroom, earning credits towards graduation.

Employer Benefits

YA is a chance to shape and inspire the next generation of talent, contributing to a thriving local economy and workforce needs.

- Youth Apprentices are selected and hired by the employer based on best fit
- Once hired, students split their time between the classroom and the job, gaining real-world experience and industry skills
- The VAHS School to Career Coordinator is there to support employers and students along the way



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<https://www.wdbscw.org/youth-apprenticeship>

YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM



Student Responsibilities



- ✓ Work a minimum of 450 hours (through the summer/school year) - Schedule is determined by employer and student availability
- ✓ Meet regularly with the School to Career Coordinator to discuss employability skills, set goals and problem solve
- ✓ Follow through with professional responsibilities and follow workplace expectations
- ✓ Successfully complete related coursework at the high school (1 credit) or a college (3 credits) that coincides with the apprenticeship pathway

Successful completion of 1 year of the YA program = 2.0 high school elective credits



Employer Responsibilities

- ✓ Provide at least 450 hours of paid employment (at least minimum wage); complying with wage and employment of minors laws & providing safety instructions
- ✓ Provide a Workplace mentor for students. Mentors will:
 - Provide feedback to student & school coordinator
 - Attend beginning, mid and end of year meetings
 - Provide opportunities for students to learn, practice and be evaluated on the competencies listed in the YA job guide

All of the current Wisconsin youth apprenticeship pathway options are linked here:
or visit <https://tinyurl.com/YAJobGuides2025>



Interested in Youth Apprenticeship?

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