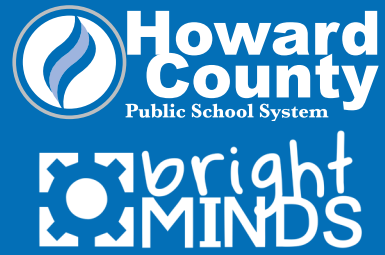


Local Businesses and Organizations:

TEACHER EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY



The Howard County Public School System (HCPSS) and Bright Minds Foundation (HCPSS's education foundation), are looking for businesses and organizations willing to be involved as hosts or sponsors of the HCPSS Teacher Externship Initiative.

What are the benefits of getting involved with the Teacher Externship Initiative?

- Your business or organization can contribute to the development of the 21st century workforce.
- The Externship Initiative supports the professional growth of Howard County Public School System teachers by providing workplace experience to complement academic knowledge.
- The program exposes teachers to current industry best practices in order to inform planning for future curriculum and instruction.
- Teacher externs will bring new perspectives and contribute to the productivity of the businesses and organizations in which they serve.

How can your business or organization get involved?

We are looking for businesses and organizations to host teacher externs for 150 hours over 4–6 weeks during the summer months of 2023 and/or to financially support the initiative by providing a full or partial teacher externship stipend for our externs. If you are interested in being involved in either or both of these capacities, please contact laree_siddiqui@hcpss.org. Non-profit donation eligibility may apply.

WHY HOST AN EXTERNSHIP?

"Today's business environment is rapidly changing. Continuing advances in technology is forcing workers to be able to think critically and adapt quickly. As such, it is important for educators to witness firsthand what is taking place in industry so they can share these experiences in the classroom. It is important for employers to partner with educators so our students are prepared for challenges and opportunities of tomorrow."

Leonardo McClarty, CCE
President/CEO
Howard County Chamber of Commerce



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TEACHER EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

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What is the HCPSS Timeline for the Externship Initiative?

On or before January, businesses must commit to hosting and/or sponsoring a teacher extern.

January	February	March	June–August
Teachers submit resumes for consideration	Host sites interview potential extern candidates	Externs and host sites match and sign externship contracts	Teachers complete externship experience



Interested in hosting an HCPSS teacher intern?
Please email: laree_siddiqui@hcpss.org

WHY HOST AN EXTERNSHIP?

In the inaugural year of the teacher externship, all host sites strongly agreed that their teacher extern was able to perform a function and/or produce a product that was of benefit to their company.

“It is important to us as an organization to grow our understanding of the future workforce, and to contribute to making sure students will be able to be successful in meeting workforce needs. By hosting a teacher extern, we are able to gain a better understanding of students that will be coming out of school and how to engage them.”

Anthony Nave
Booz Allen Hamilton



Bright Minds Foundation is the fiscal partner for the HCPSS Teacher Externship Initiative. Businesses and organizations have the opportunity to sponsor externships via a donation to Bright Minds, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. Donations cover educator stipends and program management costs.

