

LEON WORKS EXPO & JUNIOR APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM



Seven years from now, over 26,000 jobs will be available in the Leon County area that require more than a high school diploma but less than a four-year college degree. To address the need, Leon County Government annually hosts the Leon Works Expo to connect the community, employers, academic institutions, and students.

Building on the success of the Leon Works Expo, the Leon Works Junior Apprenticeship Program is an opportunity for Leon County high school juniors and seniors to prepare for a skilled career. For one semester, students are selected to work in a Leon County department as a Junior Apprentice shadowing and assisting a County staff member in a skilled career field that the student is interested in pursuing. In May, the first class of nine students successfully completed Junior Apprenticeships in auto maintenance, computer-aided design, web development & IT, graphic design and paralegal service. In addition to gaining valuable work experience, these Junior Apprentices earned an hourly wage and elective credit towards their high school diploma.

