



Project SEARCH

Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital

Preparing young people with significant disabilities for success in integrated, competitive employment.

About Project SEARCH

- A unique, one year, business-led, school to work transition program. The program location occurs at the business site. A seamless combination of workplace immersion with classroom instruction plus, 3 unpaid, internship rotations that provide real work experiences to develop and acquire marketable, transferable and competitive job skills. The program operates under the West Bloomfield School District Calendar Year.
- A certified special education teacher and skills trainers work with the students and the hospital staff.
- Employment skills classroom curriculum units are: Team Building, Workplace Safety, Technology, Self-Advocacy, Maintaining Employment, Financial Literacy, and Health and Wellness
- Established in August 2012, Project SEARCH is a collaborative effort of Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, West Bloomfield Schools, Michigan Rehabilitation Services, New Horizons Rehabilitation, Oakland Community Health Network/ OCHN and MORC. Each of these organizations are an active partner in providing vocational training and employment for people with disabilities.

What is Project SEARCH?

- Three 10-week, unpaid, rotations with a focus on marketable and transferable skills (specific job skill development: soft skills, work responsibility, problem solving, critical thinking, communication, etc.)
- An environment embracing diversity and inclusiveness within the work place and in the community.
- Opportunities to develop independent transportation skills via learning and using public or private transportation.
- Two Oakland county site locations: Beaumont Health Systems - Troy Campus and Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital
- Over 600 Project SEARCH sites across the 48 states in the United States and 9 countries.
- According to national Project SEARCH data, positive employment outcomes are at approximately 70%.
- Applicants apply to the program and are accepted through a selection committee process.
- Applicants cannot have a high school diploma and must have a current IEP.

To learn more visit www.projectsearch.us

Upcoming Project SEARCH Application Events for 2019-2020

December 14, 2018 in the Greenhouse **or January 23, 2019** in the L.L. Conference Room

10:00am-11:30am Prospective Intern Information Meeting (Choose a date to attend)

February 27, 2019 - 6:00pm-7:30pm – Prospective Intern Mandatory Information Meeting

The Project SEARCH Application Process

March 27, 2019: Applications Due for the 2019-2020 Project SEARCH Year

April: Prospective applicants selected for interviews will interview with the Project SEARCH Collaborative Committee either on – April 29 or April 30, 2019

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