

What is the PSJA T-STEM Teacher Externship Program?

Our goal is to connect educators with employers to transfer vital workplace skills to our students. Through hands on learning experiences with employers, teachers create lesson plans at the end of the program centered on the skills students will need to fill high-demand occupations in our region.

This program is funded by a grant provided by Educate Texas and will be implemented Summer 2018.

Participation in the teacher externship program is offered to all parties without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, veteran status, or disability.



OUR MISSION

To provide advanced educational opportunities with an emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics to all students so that they may graduate within a four-year period with an Associate Degree or college credit; thus, instilling the immediate desire for further post-secondary education to produce well-rounded community leaders.

OUR VISION

To produce highly motivated students that have an equal opportunity to earn an Associate's Degree and pursue higher education to become independent learners, contributing citizens, and well-rounded leaders.

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2018 Teacher Externship Program



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TIMELINE

Extern Orientation

Friday, June 1, 8:15 - 9:15 am
T-STEM Conference Room

Meet and Greet Luncheon

Thursday, June 14, 11:30 - 1:00 pm
Location: Pappadeaux

Externship: Externs at Worksites

June 18-22 or June 25-29
8:00 - 5:00 pm

Extern Debrief

June 20 or June 27
8:15 - 9:00 am
T-STEM Conference Room

Lesson Plan Development

Monday, July 2, 8:00 - 12:00 pm
T-STEM Conference Room

Closing Luncheon

Monday, July 2, 12:00 - 1:30 pm
T-STEM Library

Expectations of the Externs

Educators must participate in all program activities, including:

1. Sign an Extern Participant Contract
2. Participate in the Extern Orientation
3. Complete a one-week externship at assigned worksite
4. Attend the debrief session
5. Develop a lesson plan which employers must endorse
6. Participate in the Closing Luncheon
7. Utilize lesson plans during the 2018-2019 school year

Expectations of the Employers:

Employers create opportunities for teacher externs to practice workplace skills. Employers will commit to:

1. Designate a point of contact for the extern
2. Work with the extern to identify important workplace skills students need to know for future employment in the industry
3. Assign the extern responsibilities they can complete during the one-week program

4. Endorse the extern's lesson plan
5. Participate in the Meet & Greet and Closing luncheons

Testimonial:

During the Summer 2017, Mrs. Yvonne Chamblin participated in the ALA Externship program and externed at Double-Tree Suites by Hilton McAllen. She learned aspects of the hospitality industry through hands on experiences and developed lessons plans focused on professionalism in the workplace, interview skills, and community service.



"The externship helped me catch up on current industry trends and practices that my students need to know."

- Mrs. Chamblin, 12th Grade Capstone Project Teacher

