

## Work Based Learning Spring Newsletter



## CONGRATULATIONS TO BRANDON DAY

Congratulations to
Brandon Day
for participating in an
Apprenticeship
Program with
Vol State and
Hutchinson Co.



We are delighted to extend a warm welcome to the esteemed companies that have graciously agreed to participate in our Work Based Learning program, offering invaluable training experiences to our students.

Aaron Sanders
FnA Records
Sonja Kelly
Calico Jack's Boat and RV
Livingston-Overton County Chamber of Commerce
Anthony Pascarella
Aaron Sanders
Highpoint Health

Nashville Wraps



## The Importance of Work-Based Learning

I recently read an article stating that if every unemployed person in the U.S. had a job there would still be 3 million jobs. With that how does work-based learning support our local employer and our community?

Work-based learning helps to develop students and employees to grow and understand their roles. This brings a greater contribution to their employers and the bottom line. This also prepares students to take on leadership positions in the future.

This is achieved through choosing the Career Readiness Competencies, i.e. Communication, Critical thinking, Leadership, Teamwork, etc. Students also choose engagement activities, Global and Intercultural Comprehension, Innovation and Creativity, etc. Students choose these activities working with an employer/mentor to be sure they fit the role they will be working in.

Work-based learning provides a new strong competent workforce capable of taking on leadership positions. This benefits Volunteer State students and supports our local employment community. This is a true definition of a win-win for all involved.

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For further details on how your organization can leverage the opportunity of hosting student interns or if you are a student seeking consideration for an internship position, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at 615-230-3301 or via email at don.ellis@volstate.edu. You can also find more information by visiting www.volstate.edu/work-based-learning.