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## Learning Is For Everyone!

A high school transition program that has been developed to assist young adults with disabilities to gain independent living skills, employability skills, and become contributing members in society.

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"Ability is what you're capable of doing. Motivation determines what you do. Attitude determines how well you do it." -Low Hotts



### Lakota West Freshman School

#### **Program Overview:**

Project LIFE is a combined education and work experience program for students with disabilities who have completed their high school academic requirements. This program is an individualized transition program that prepares student interns for future independent living and employment. Students who apply, in collaboration with their IEP teams, have determined that they will benefit from further educational opportunities and training afforded through attendance in Project LIFE beyond their high school graduation requirements.

The interns' day consists of a combination of classroom instruction and job experience in school or community based work. Project LIFE 201 primarily focuses on job training skills with a portion of the curriculum based on independent home living skills. Project LIFE 201 is a full day program and follows the Butler Tech calendar. Project LIFE 201 is located in the Lakota Local School District.

#### **Skills Learned:**

**Independent Living**- Cooking, money management, self care, maintaining a home, etc.

**Classroom**- Employability, communication and independent living skills.

**Job Rotations-** Time spent at unpaid internships to develop basic job skills.

Food Preparation

Industrial Laundry

Merchandising

Janitorial

#### **Jobs & Tasks**:

- Basic Clerical
- Light Cleaning
- Sorting
- Stocking
- Dishwashing

#### **Job Rotations**:

- Small groups of interns
- Three, 10 12 weeks
- 1 Job Coach

#### How Do I Apply?

Each Project LIFE program has a limited number of interns. In order to be considered, you must complete the application with your home school district staff.

The application will be reviewed by a selection committee followed by an interview. If accepted, the screening committee will determine placement location.

#### **Program Requirements:**

Interns must:

- Be 18 22 years old
- Have completed all high school requirements
- Apply and be accepted into the program

#### **Project LIFE 201 Contact:**

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#### **Project LIFE 201 Collaborators:**



Project LIFE 201 students come from the Edgewood, Fairfield, Hamilton, Lakota, Madison, Middletown, Monroe, New Miami, Northwest, Ross and Talawanda Local School Districts.