

Learn & Earn



Photo (above): Ethan Kraus is a computer assistant at 10 Computers Repair and More in Owosso. Ethan dismantles computers and helps organize computer parts.

Student Reminder

No school = No work

If there is a snow day, you must call your worksite supervisor and let them know you won't be at work.

6 Key Benefits of a High School Job

You'll Earn Money – Even if you don't work a lot of hours, it will add up over time.

You'll Learn New Skills – You are guaranteed to pick up skills you didn't have before.

You'll Gain Work Experience – If you start learning the skills to being a good employee in high school, you'll set yourself up to be an outstanding employee later.

You'll Learn More about What Kind of Career You Want – The best way to figure out what you want to do is try different jobs out.

You'll Meet New People - It is a great way to expand your social circle and learn about different types of people.

You'll Gain Independence - You'll be responsible for taking care of your job duties.

Succeeding at a job and earning money can help you gain a lot of independence and self-confidence, and it's a great way to help prepare you for the future.

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Having a Job in High School
Has More
Benefits Than Just a
Paycheck



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WIOA Success Story: Ian VanNewkirk

As a high school senior in Corunna, Ian VanNewkirk had ambition but needed some assistance getting started on the path to success. "I wanted to get a head start on working and getting experience," he said. "WIOA was very helpful. I got experience talking with customers, developed skills, and it helped me get a job."

Through the Shiawassee RESD's Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) youth employment program, Ian began a work experience at Family Farm & Home while still attending school. With a strong background in agriculture and experience raising animals, Ian was an excellent fit for the Corunna store.

"I did not know what to expect when I started at Family Farm & Home," Ian stated, "but everyone was very helpful, and it got easier with time."

His supervisors were impressed with the positive impact Ian had on the store. He was offered a stock position at Family Farm & Home after graduation. In the 2 1/2 years since leaving high school, Ian has moved to a full-time Team Leader Management position. As Team Leader, he has traveled for new product training and trade shows. Ian has even made new product recommendations for the store.

Ian describes his WIOA journey as "a good experience." After graduation, Ian supported the WIOA program by mentoring younger students during their work experiences at Family Farm & Home. This program is very thankful for our local businesses, like Family Farm & Home, and individuals like Ian, who are willing to give back and support our local youth.



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Thank you to all of our community partners for a successful year!

Right: Maliki Anderson has been helping customers and stocking shelves at the Family Farm & Home in Corunna.



Maliki Anderson
Corunna