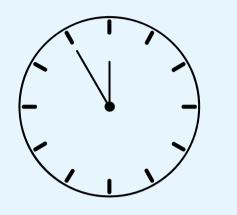
18 PLUSS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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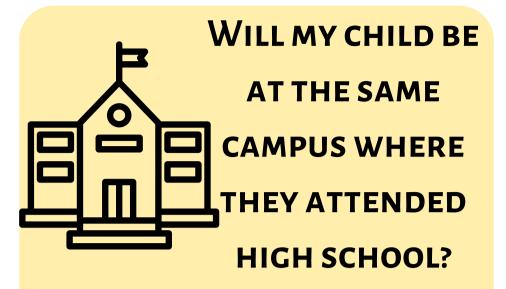
7:20-1:30 18 PLUSS follows the AISD Calendar



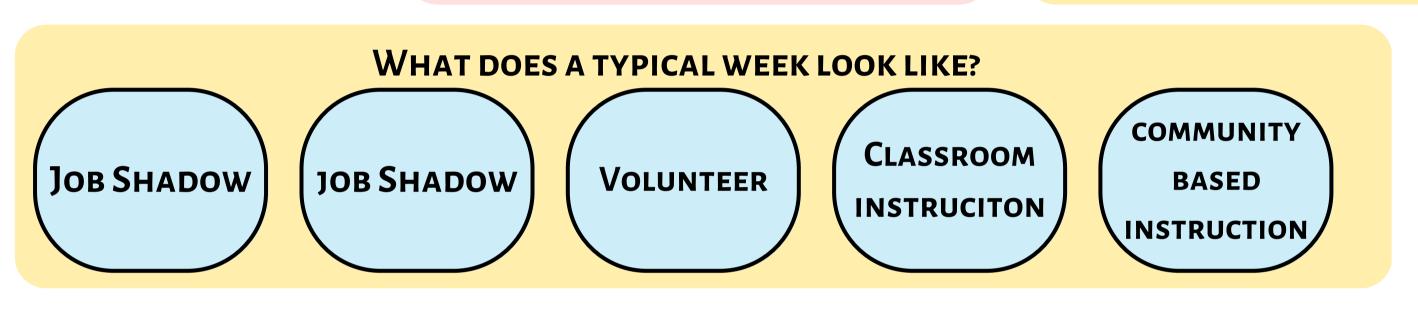
WHAT DOES A TYPICAL JOB

SITE DAY LOOK LIKE?

- <u>7:20 -8:30-</u> ARRIVE AND COMPLETE MORNING WORK
- <u>8:30-12:00</u> LEAVE FOR JOB SITES OR COMMUNITY SITES
- <u>12:00-1:25</u> STUDENTS COMPLETE
 AFTERNOON WORK WHICH MAY
 INCLUDE INDEPENDENT LIVING
 SKILLS.
- <u>1:25 -</u>DEPART FOR HOME



PLACEMENT IN 18 PLUSS WILL BE DETERMINED BY NEED AND AVAILABILITY. THE PLACEMENT MAY NOT BE ON THE CURRENT CAMPUS.





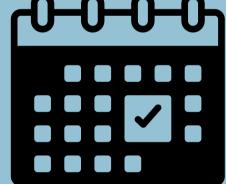


WILL MY CHILD GRADUATE

AND GET A DIPLOMA? ONCE A STUDENT EARNS ALL OF THEIR REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS, THEY MAY PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION. A DIPLOMA WILL BE GIVEN ONCE THE STUDENT IS NO LONGER RECEIVING SERVICES FROM ARLINGTON ISD (I.E. WHEN 18 PLUSS IS COMPLETED). WILL MY CHILD BE PROVIDED BREAKFAST AND LUNCH THROUGH THE SCHOOL?



HE/SHE CAN ACCESS A CAMPUS BREAKFAST OR LUNCH IF NECESSARY. HOWEVER, BEST CASE SCENARIO WOULD BE FOR THE STUDENT TO PROVIDE THEIR OWN BREAKFAST AND LUNCH SINCE THIS IS WHAT WOULD BE REQUIRED POST-SCHOOL.

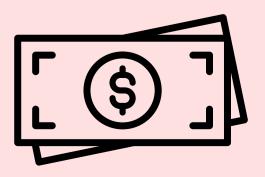


How long does the program last?

GRADUATION IS DISCUSSED AT THE STUDENT'S IEP MEETING. GRADUATION IS DETERMINED BY DATA, CRITICAL NEEDS, AND THE IEP COMMITTEE. WE DO NOT PROJECT BEYOND THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR.

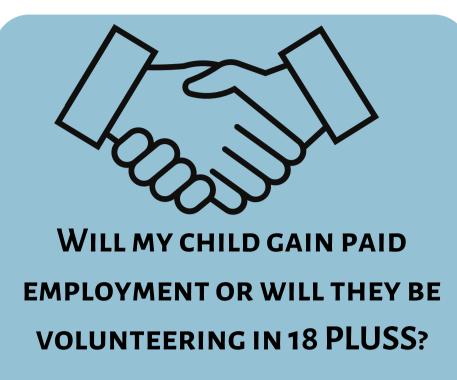
WILL I HAVE TO PROVIDE MONEY FOR THE WEEKLY COMMUNITY BASED INSTRUCTION DAY?

- IT IS SUGGESTED TO BRING \$5-10 EACH WEEK. THE STUDENT WILL PRACTICE MAKING PURCHASES AND/OR TO UTILIZE MONEY TO ACCESS COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE SITES.
- STUDENTS HAVE THE OPTION OF BRINGING THEIR LUNCH OR ACCESSING A CAFETERIA SACK LUNCH.



18 PLUSS

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- THE ULTIMATE GOAL FOR 18 PLUSS IS FOR STUDENTS TO SECURE EMPLOYMENT AND GAIN INDEPENDENCE.
- **STUDENTS WILL PRACTICE** JOB SKILLS AT COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER SITES WHICH COULD POSSIBLY LEAD TO EMPLOYMENT **OPPORTUNITIES.**

DOES MY CHILD HAVE A SAY IN WHAT TYPE OF JOB THEY WANT?

ABSOLUTELY. STUDENT'S INTERESTS ARE A HIGH PRIORITY WHEN PLACING STUDENTS AT JOB SITES, VOLUNTEER SITES, AND PAID

EMPLOYMENT.



HOW ARE JOB SITE PLACEMENTS DECIDED?

- STUDENT INTERESTS AND **STRENGTHS**
- COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP **AVAILABILITY**
- LOCATION
- INDUSTRY NEED

DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO BUY AND WEAR A UNIFORM?

- 18 PLUSS STUDENTS DO WEAR A UNIFORM ON JOB SITE DAY AND ANY DAY THE TEACHER DESIGNATES.
- THE UNIFORM INCLUDES KHAKI PANTS, CLOSED TOE SHOES AND AN 18 PLUSS POLO SHIRT.
- THE SHIRT COSTS \$12-15



HOW WILL EMPLOYMENT AFFECT MY CHILD'S SSI PAYMENT?

- YOUR CHILD WILL NEED TO REPORT THEIR EARNED INCOME MONTHLY TO SOCIAL SECURITY.
- TICKET TO WORK (1-866-968-7842) **PROVIDES FREE BENEFITS COUNSELING.**

TRANSPORTATION?

- TO AND FROM 18 PLUSS: IF STUDENT RECEIVES **TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, THE BUS WILL TAKE** THEM TO AND FROM THE CAMPUS
- THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL DAY: STUDENTS ARE TRANSPORTED IN DISTRICT SUBURBANS OR BUSSES TO AND FROM THEIR JOBSITES/ **COMMUNITY SITES**
- 18 PLUSS TEACHERS WILL ASSIST STUDENTS IN TRAVEL TRAINING USING HANDITRAN, VIA, ETC.

IS MY CHILD GUARANTEED EMPLOYMENT? STUDENTS ARE NOT GUARANTEED EMPLOYMENT.

WHEN EMPLOYMENT **OPPORTUNITIES BECOME AVAILABLE WILL MY CHILD HAVE TO TAKE THAT JOB? EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES DO** ARISE AND IT IS ENCOURAGED THAT THEY ACCEPT EMPLOYMENT. HOWEVER, THE 18 PLUSS STAFF, STUDENT, AND PARENT CAN CONFERENCE TO DISCUSS OPTIONS.

