

# WORK-BASED LEARNING PROGRAMS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

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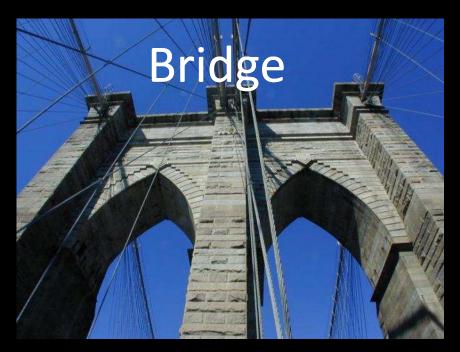
# Work-based Learning

- ✓ Paid training
- ✓ Non-paid training
- ✓ Apprenticeships
- ✓ Shadowing
- √ Simulations



Any activity which takes the student into a real world environment.

## Work-based Learning Programs









Validation of Rigor and Relevance

#### **WBL PROGRAMS**

- Raising graduation rates.
- Preparing our students for both college and work.
- Building student self-esteem and citizenship.

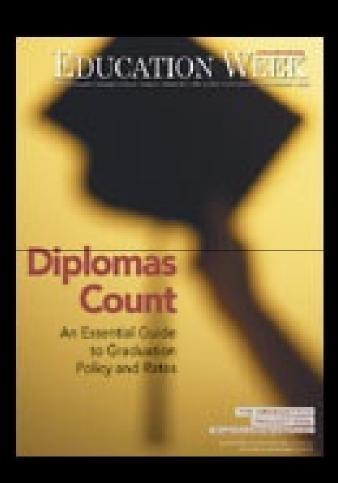




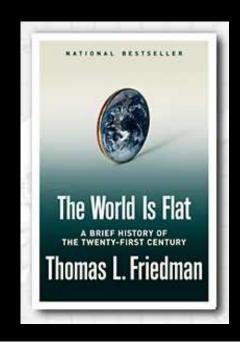


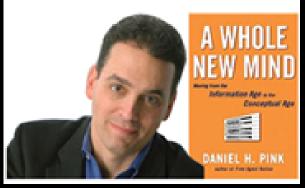
#### **Student Benefits**

- Career Focus
- High School graduation
- 21st Century Skills
- Valuable work experience
- Self-esteem
- Citizenship



#### **School Benefits**





- Engaged students
- Improved high school graduation rates
- Faculty updates on knowledge and skills
- Community pride

## **Employer Benefits**



- Development of future workforce
- Motivated workers
- Workers possess 21st Century Skills
- Community presence

#### Role of the Student



- Assess one's interests and talents
- Master knowledge and skills
- Apply knowledge and skills to workplace

#### Role of the Coordinator



- Counselor / Educator
- Coordinator/Problem Solver/Solutions Finder
- Trend Watcher
- Leader/Ambassador



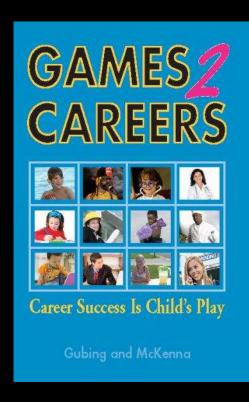
# Quality Elements for WBL



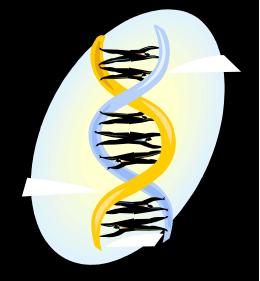
- ✓ Assessment Career DNA, Career Planning
- ✓ Parent Involvement
- ✓ Pre-employment Instruction
- ✓ Quality/Legal Training Site
- ✓ Legal documents
- ✓ Safety Training
- ✓ Supervision and evaluation
- ✓ Advisory Board



#### Career DNA



- Interests
- Work Preferences
  - People, Data,Things
- Personality Traits
- Aptitudes
- Abilities
- Values



Career Plan



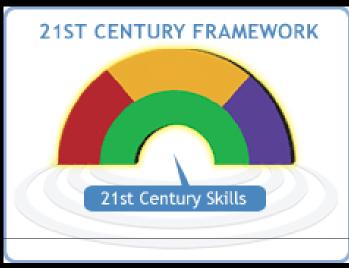
#### **Pre-Placement Instruction**



- Academics + CTE
- Computer and Financial Literacy
- Pre-employment
  - Application
  - Interview
  - Resume
  - Introductions
  - Appearance

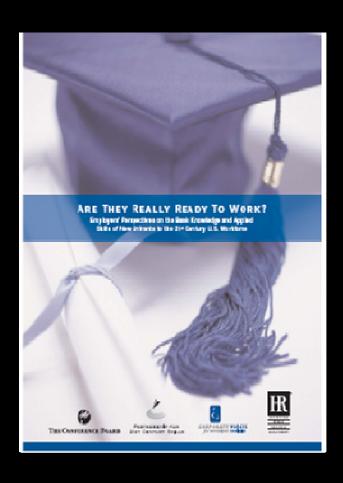


## 21st Century Skills



Communications, Critical thinking, problem solving, use of resources and technology, collaboration, multi-tasking, etc.

10 – 15 jobs/careers in a lifetime?

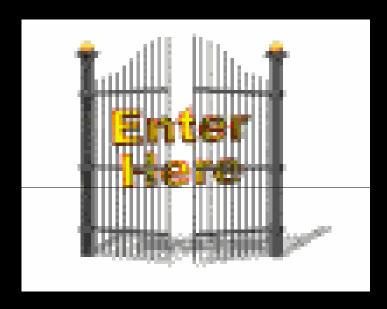


Workforce Ready



#### **Legal Documents**

- 1. Enrollment Form
- 2. Parental/Guardian Permission
- 3. Site Evaluation
- 4. Memorandum of Agreement
- 5. Training Plan
- 6. Student Evaluation
- 7. Training Hours



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#### **Site Evaluation**

Visit site BEFORE student begins to train.

#### Validate:

- 1. Legal employment
- Evidence of Worker's Compensation
- 3. Safe environment
- 4. Proper use of equipment, chemicals, tools.
- 5. Appropriate supervision





#### **Training Site**

- Relates to student's career goal.
- Safety training
- Progression of knowledge and skill building as shown in training plan.
- Existence of a true "mentoring" relationship





#### **Site Visitations**

#### Visit student at work site:

- Within the first ten days of training.
- Then once every five weeks.

#### Validate:

- Safety
- 2. Training
- 3. Related Instruction
- 4. Appropriate supervision

Share feedback to parents, teachers, counselors.





## Making the Most of the Training **Experience**











- All aspects of industry.
- 21st Century Job Success Skills
- Make our students "Workforce Ready."



#### Risk Management



BE CAREFUL THE BEST SAFETY DEVICE IS A CAREFUL WORKER, GET THE SAFETY HABIT

- Safety training before and during training
- Liability coverage
  - –WorkersCompensation
  - School District'sInsurance
- Parental/Guardian permissions

#### **Vision**

- State-approved programs
- Certification of coordinators
- Programs that reflect
  - "Rigor and Relevance"
  - Quality training
  - 21st Century Skills
  - Workforce Readiness
  - Safe working environments





#### LINKS

New York State Work
 Experience Coordinators
 Association
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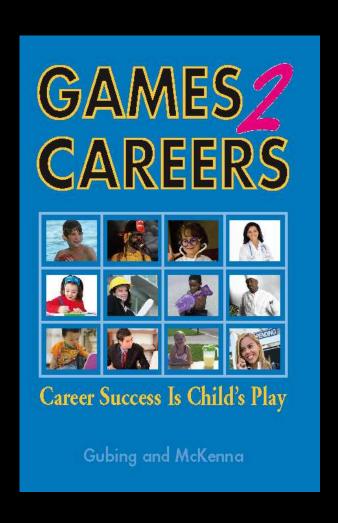
Certification –
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• Career DNA –

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# Questions





#### Development of Work-Based Learning Programs I

- Philosophy and Types of Work-Based Learning Programs
- Criteria for Approved Work-Based Learning Programs
- New York State CDOS and Career and Technical Education Endorsements, Workforce Ready
- The role of the Work-Based Learning Coordinator
- Networking Techniques
- Creating an Industry Advisory Board
- Generations: Educating and Supervising
- The 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Workplace
- Industry/Career Knowledge

#### Implementation and Evaluation of Work-Based Learning Programs II

- Career DNA Student Assessment and Career Planning
- Essential forms and employment certificates
- Pre-employment Instruction and student resumes
- Handling typical problems with work-based Learning students.
- New York State Child Labor Laws
- Work-based learning programs around the world.
- Creating training plans/work readiness credentials.
- All Aspects of Industry
- Safety Training/Hazardous Occupations
- Calculating your program's return on investment.