

Guidance on Work-Based Learning Opportunities for Students with IEPs: Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

As in previous years, students with IEPs are invited to participate in the [Summer Youth Employment Program \(SYEP\)](#), a partnership between the DOE and the New York City Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD), specifically designed to support work-based learning experiences for students who have IEPs. For six consecutive weeks in July and August, students ages 16–21 will engage in a remote, in-person or blended work-based learning experience, for 25 hours weekly at a rate \$15.00 per hour, New York State’s minimum wage; students ages 14–15 will experience in-person or blended project-based learning and will receive a stipend.

You and your staff are encouraged to support students with IEPs with the application process. Interested students should submit a completed application for their age group through their borough’s [Transition and College Access Center \(TCAC\) office](#) by 5:00 p.m. on **April 22**.

- Students ages 16–21 should submit a completed [SYEP Older Youth Participant Application](#); and
- Students ages 14–15 should submit a completed paper [SYEP Younger Youth Participant Application](#).

Note that the SYEP is open to all NYC youth between the ages of 14 and 24. For questions, contact your borough [TCAC office](#).