

High-Quality Work- Based Learning (HQWBL) Fall Professional Development Session

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HQWBL Regional Assignments

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Regions 1 & 3

Region 2

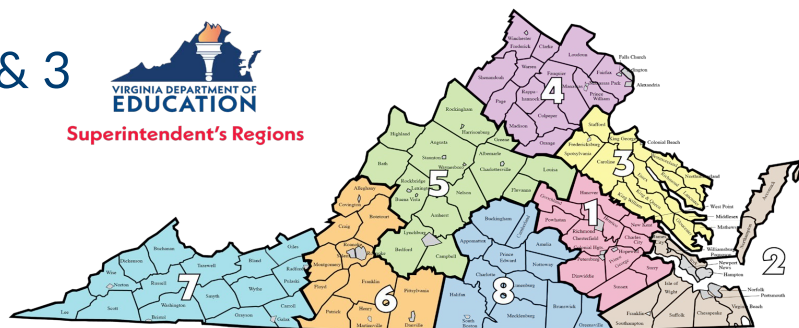
Region 4

Region 5

Region 6

Region 7

Region 8



- ❑ Region 3 Specialist later in November
- ❑ 100% dedication to achieving HQWBL goals in each region
- ❑ Serving 131 school divisions and 23 Community Colleges in the Commonwealth

Session Overview

**HQWBL
Landscape**

**CTE
Resource
Center
Website
Review**

**VAVoyager
Overview**

**Guest
Speakers**

HQWBL Landscape

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Talent Pipeline Challenges

- More than one-third of workers feel less confident about skills to do their jobs well (compared to pre-pandemic)
- 46% of employees predict their current skills “will die out” in the next few years
- 58% of the workforce need new skills to accomplish their jobs



Labor Market Information (LMI)

What is LMI?

- Includes all quantitative or qualitative data and analysis related to employment and the workforce

Why is LMI Important?

- Provides decisions for CTE programs
- Informs education and training offerings
- Facilitates career planning and preparation
- Identifies in-demand occupations and employment projections
- Narrows job search opportunities

Selected Occupations from the Top 100 Highest-Paying Jobs in Virginia

Occupational Title	Typical Entry-Level Degree/ Education	Median Salary: 2021
Chief Executives	Bachelor's degree	\$208,000 or more
Airline Pilots, Copilots, and Flight Engineers	Bachelor's degree	\$208,000 or more
Dentists, All Other Specialists	Doctoral or professional degree	\$184,930
Marketing Managers	Bachelor's degree	\$162,640
Political Scientists	Master's degree	\$158,510
Financial Managers	Bachelor's degree	\$157,860

Source: [Top 100 Highest-Paying Jobs in Virginia](#)

CTE Addresses Challenges

CTE Eases Hiring
Challenges



77%

of employers reported hiring an employee in part because of their CTE experience.

84%

of employers who reported it being 'easy' to find qualified applicants have hired a candidate based on CTE experience.



Profile of a Virginia Graduate



Graduation Requirements

Per Code of Virginia § 22.1-253.13:4, students are required to:

1. complete an Advanced Placement, honors, International Baccalaureate, or dual enrollment course; or
2. complete a high-quality work-based learning experience*, as defined by the Board; or
3. earn a career and technical education credential that has been approved by the Board.



*Excluding: Job Shadowing and Mentorship of less than 140 hours

The HQWBL Connection

HQWBL opportunities are school-coordinated experiences that must be:

- Related to students' career goals and/or interests;
- Connected to a course; and
- Performed in partnership with businesses and organizations

The 12 HQWBL Experiences

Promote:

Career Awareness

- Identifies personal interests and talents
- Determines education and training needed for career goal

Career Exploration

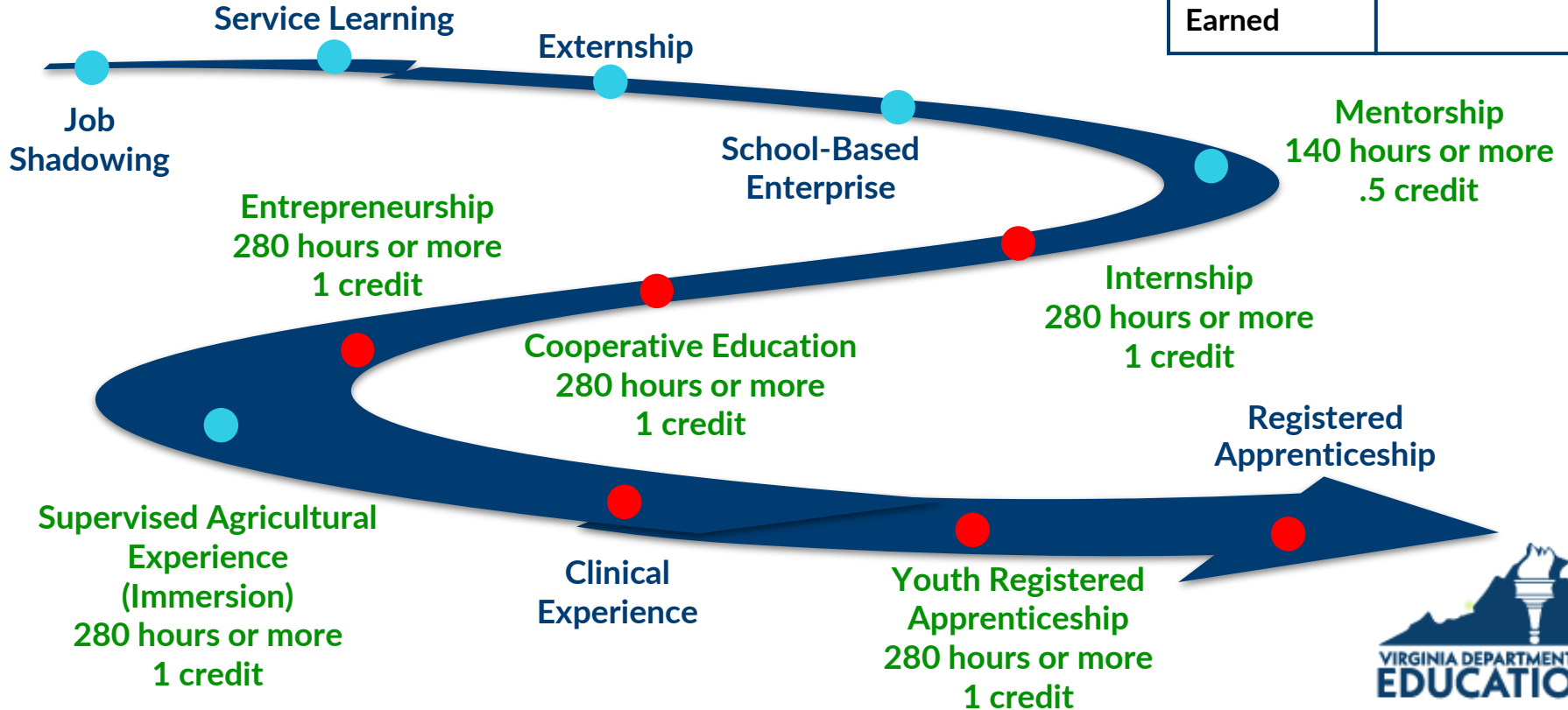
- Explores personal career interests
- Connects pathways to chosen career
- Reinforces workplace readiness skills

Career Preparation

- Deepens student knowledge
- Develops necessary skills for success

12 HQWBL Experiences

Grades 6-12	●
Grades 9-12	●
HS Credit Earned	Green



HQWBL Competencies

- Identify the types of HQWBL opportunities*
- Reflect on lessons learned during the HQWBL experience
- Explore career opportunities related to the HQWBL experience*
- Participate in a HQWBL experience, when appropriate



* Required competencies

CTE Completer Follow-up HQWBL Questions

- How satisfied are you with the Work-Based Learning experience(s) you had?
- How closely are your current professional and educational goals related to the career you explored during your Work-Based Learning program?
- Overall, how much impact did your Work-Based Learning experience have on your college and career decision as you transitioned to your current employment, military service, or continued education?

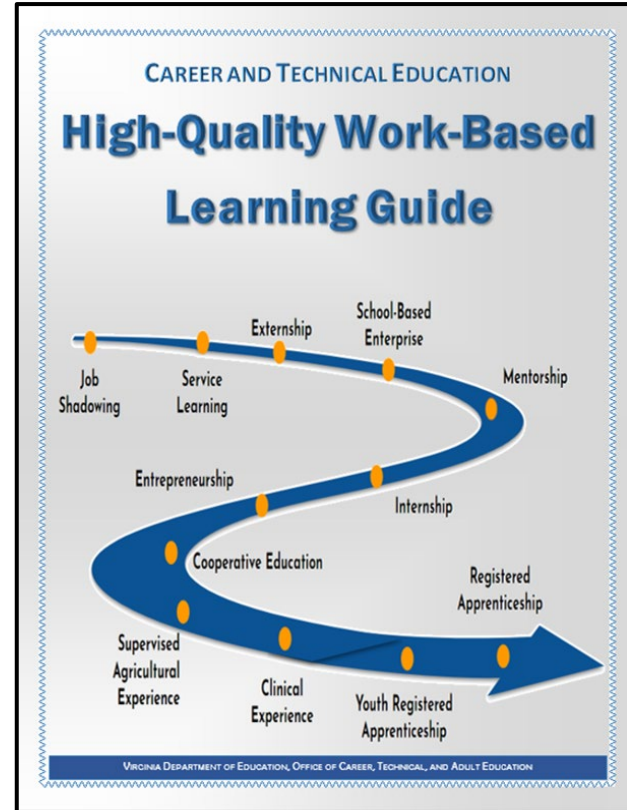
HQWBL CTE Resource Center Website and Resources

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HQWBL Guide

- The #1 [HQWBL resource!](#)
- Board approved for implementation on August 4, 2022
- Now effective and posted on the VDOE website



Additional HQWBL Resources

- [HQWBL Time Log & Wage Calculator](#)
- [Experience Works](#) - sessions and exhibitor videos
- HQWBL At-A-Glance (one-pagers)
- Downloadable HQWBL and VAVoyager forms



HQWBL Procedures



Interview/
screen/
select
students

Select
potential
employers

Application
process/
Place
students

Complete
Training
Agreement

Develop
Training Plans
(if applicable)

- Validated tasks for entry-level positions
- Assessment of student and employer needs

Evaluate
students'
achievement
of tasks and
adjust
training plans

- Employer evaluations
- Coordinator observations and evaluations
- Related classroom instruction
- Student work reports

Document
student
achievement

VAVoyager Overview

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For ALL High Schools across the Commonwealth



Explore • Connect • Succeed



Virtual Work-Based Learning Network

Repository for HQWBL Opportunities from Across the Commonwealth

Connect Students with HQWBL Opportunities Across the Commonwealth

Generate Reports Related to Students, Business Partners, HQWBL Opportunities, and More

Provide Face-to-Face & Virtual HQWBL Opportunities

Increase HQWBL Opportunities in Rural Areas

Expand Business Partnerships in the 17 Career Clusters

Stakeholders

Employers



- Increase community exposure
- Expand student talent pool

HQWBL Coordinators



- Improves efficiency by reducing steps to connect students to opportunities
- Easily track student WBL information

Students



- Increased ownership and autonomy to explore WBL opportunities
- Centralized location to manage WBL experience and paperwork

VAVoyager Landing Page



Tools ▾

Create Account

Sign In ▾

Explore · Connect · Succeed

Find out how to learn and earn with High-Quality Work-Based Learning opportunities across the Commonwealth.

Join the Voyage



CHOOSE A JOURNEY:

STUDENTS

EDUCATORS

EMPLOYERS

? Support

Easy As 1-2-3

1. Connect with your Regional Work-Based Learning Specialist
2. Provide an access list
3. Determine a point of contact



VAVoyager School Participation Form

VAVoyager is a no-cost, virtual High-Quality Work-Based Learning (HQWL) platform for all students in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

New Participation

Update Participation

School Division	
School Name	
CTE Administrator Name	
CTE Administrator Email	
CTE Administrator Phone	

Provide the following information:

What Student Information System is used by your school (ex. PowerSchool, eSchool)?	
Does your school have access to Clever?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
Does your school use a LMS? If so, which one (ex. Canvas, Schoology, etc.)?	
Who will be the primary VAVoyager contact person for your school?	
Will all high schools in this division be participating in VAVoyager?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
If only selected high school(s) within the division are participating, list those schools.	

CTE Administrator Signature _____

Date _____

List all personnel involved with HQWL who need VAVoyager access on the next page (duplicate page 2 as needed).

VAVoyager Access Descriptions:

Read Only: A user with Read-Only access can be included as a Point of Contact for a student; search for students; view and update basic student information; and view student referrals.

Alongside: A user with this access has the permissions as the Read Only user along with the ability to add students to the platform and invite students to the Student Portal; view and update student information and documents; refer a student to an opportunity; receive referrals and update the status; and generate and view reports.

**Guest
Speakers**



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HQWBL Coding

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HQWBL Reporting

- Data is collected through the Master Schedule Collection in the Fall and End of Year
- HQWBL experiences are enhancements of instruction and must be attached to the F record of a student participating in a CTE course or an academic course
- F records in the Master Schedule Collection include a section ID that connects the record to the C record which contains the course data
- It is important that F records be individualized to the students, using blanket settings by section ID in your Student Information system will lead to inaccurate reporting

C Record (Course Record)

Record Type	Section ID	Serving Division	Serving School	SCED Course Code
C	Horticulture1A	099	0333	18052

C Record:

- Provides information about the course, also known as a course record
- Generates the section ID which is used to categorize students and teachers associated with the course
- Includes location, division and SCED designations for each course

F Record (Student Record)

Record Type	Section ID	Local Provider ID	State Testing ID	Local Student ID	Final Grade	Remote Course Indicator	Dual Enrollment Flag	Work-based Learning Code (All Courses)
F	Horticulture1A	JSmith2021	2451291287	19524	A			1
F	Horticulture1A	JSmith2021	3695412698	22347	B			1

- A record for each student participating in the section
- Should be individualized for the student, meaning that each student's F record should be generated specifically for that student rather than F records being generated for the entire section
- This is particularly vital with HQWBL as students may not all participate in the HQWBL experience associated with the course. For example, Student 1 may participate in Culinary Arts II and leave for part of their day to participate in Co-Op where they work at a local restaurant. Student 2 however may participate in the Culinary Arts II course, but elects not to participate in Co-Op. In the F record for Student 1, a HQWBL code of 1 would be added for the Culinary Arts section, Student 2 would not receive a HQWBL code as they did not participate in the enhanced experience

YRA and RA

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YOUTH PROGRAMS



01

BUSINESS INVOLVEMENT

Employers are the foundation of every Registered Apprenticeship program.



NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL CREDENTIAL

Registered Apprenticeship programs result in a nationally-recognized credential – a 100% guarantee to employers that apprentices are fully qualified for the job.

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REWARDS FOR SKILL GAINS

Apprentices receive increases in wages as they gain higher level skills.

04



RELATED TRAINING AND INSTRUCTION

Apprenticeships combine on-the-job learning with technical education at community colleges, technical schools, apprenticeship training schools, provided on-line or at the job site.

03



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STRUCTURED ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

Apprentices receive on-the-job training from an experienced mentor for typically not less than one year.

What are the Components of Registered Apprenticeship?

The Adult Program Registered Apprenticeship (RA)

- A Program for anyone 16+ who has separated from High School.
- May work full or part -time
- Participate in Occupation Specific Related Technical Instruction
- Must satisfy a minimum of 2000 OJT Hours and 144 RTI Hours



Youth Registered Apprenticeship (YRA)

- A Program for High School Students 16+ enrolled in a Career and Technical Education (CTE) program.
- Related Technical Instruction comes from the CTE curriculum.
- YRA may be part-time or full -time at various times of the year.
- Registered with The Division of Registered Apprenticeship
- Upon Graduation receives a Certificate of Participation
- Work hours earned may be credited to the Adult



Registered Apprenticeship

Work -Based Learning

(RA-WBL)

- A Program for High School Students ages 16+
- Student may be part -time or full -time at various times of the year.
- Related Technical Instruction to be decided by the Employer / Registered Sponsor
- Registered with The Division of Registered Apprenticeship



LET'S RECAP

**CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION
PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED AT THE HIGH
SCHOOL LEVEL**

**AT AGE 16, STUDENTS CAN WORK FOR
COMPANIES WHO OFFER ON THE JOB
TRAINING RELATED TO THEIR CLASS**

**THE COMPANY REGISTERS THE STUDENTS
AS YOUTH APPRENTICES**

**UPON GRADUATION STUDENTS BEGINS
WORKING FOR FULL-TIME AND THEY MOVE
TO THE ADULT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM**

**THE STUDENT TAKES THE REMAINING RELATED
TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION COURSES**

TIMELY FACTS

- Begin a RA program 16 years old
- Employee/Earn as you learn
- Earn Nationally Recognized Credential
- Pathway to career
- Hands-on training and to gain experience
- Targeted support
- Career advancement
- Ability to earn higher wages
- Competitive advantage



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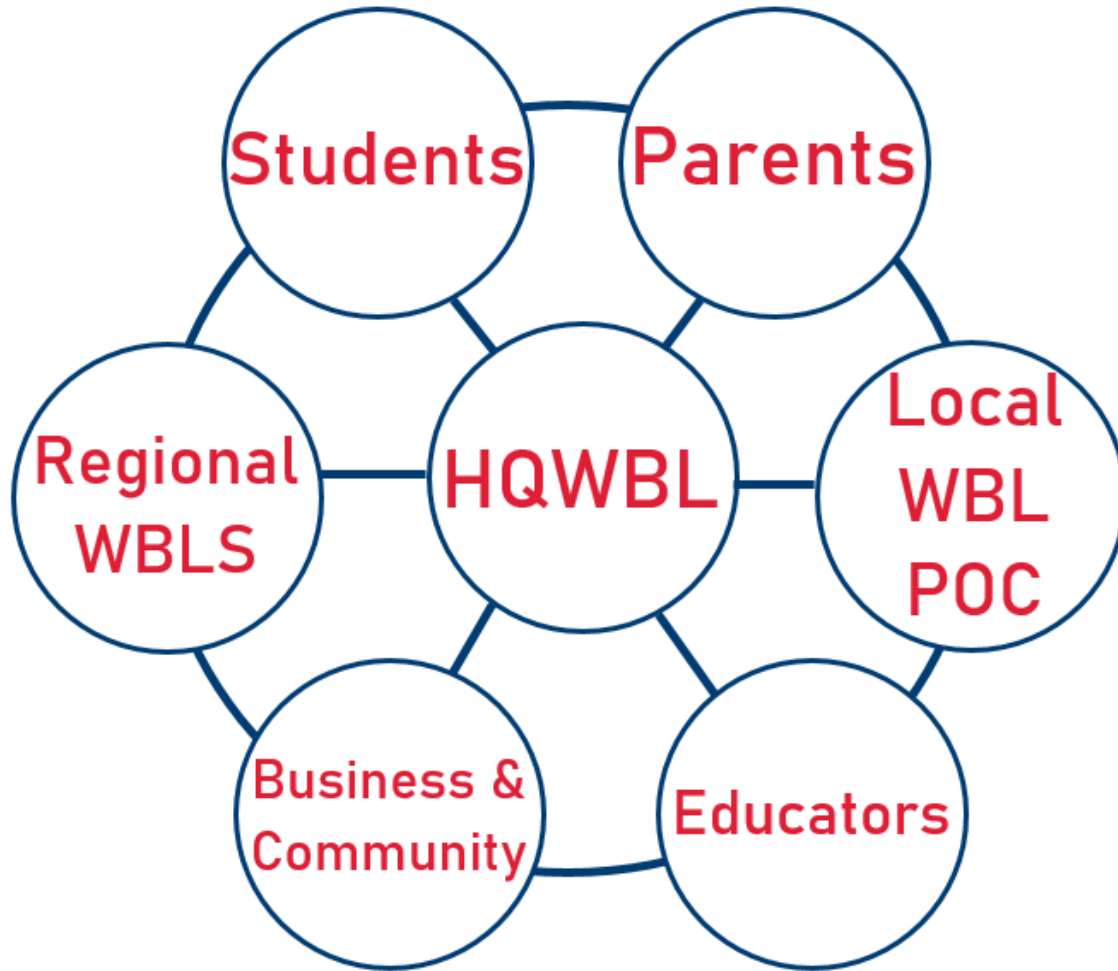
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**We're All In This
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