



Youth Program Overview - Workforce Central Florida Project CoNEXTion is a year-round program that engages youth (ages 16-21) from the Central Florida area (Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake, Sumter) and supports them in attaining:

EDUCATION

- Obtain either a high school diploma or GED
- Acquire industry recognized credentials/certifications
- Explore further vocational and college educational opportunities

EMPLOYMENT

- Earn income through entry-level employment opportunities
- Gain experience through work opportunities
- Develop a plan to achieve future career goals

INDEPENDENCE

- Create vital skill sets and a tool box of resources to achieve self-sufficiency
- Understand personal accountability and develop soft skills
- Discover how to adapt to barriers and obstacles while learning about additional services through community partners

Program Requirements: ALL participants must meet federal guidelines for services. Selected youth must be a U.S. citizen/alien resident, age 16-21, have a documented financial need and have a history of educational and/or employment difficulty (such as a parenting teen, over age for grade level, limited work history, juvenile/adult offender, foster care youth, limited English proficiency or disability.)

Our Goal is to Support Young Adults on the Pathway to Self-Sufficiency!

In-School Program

Youth interested in participating must be:

- Currently in 11th or 12th grade, or in a district-recognized GED program
- Willing to stay in school until graduating with a diploma.
- Prepared to enroll in college, enlist in the military, obtain vocational training and/or obtain employment upon completion.

In-School program activities:

- Attend regular workshops to develop skills that will lead to industry credentials/certifications and assist with obtaining employment upon completion of school

In-School program added benefits include:

- Opportunity to earn up to \$500* for achieving goals related to career preparation, academics and work experience.
- Potential for a paid* work experience for up to six weeks (eligibility/suitability applies.)

In-School Locations** Aloma High School, Chancery High School, Sheeler High School, Sunshine High School, Seminole High School, Lake Howell High School, Osceola High School, Challenger Alternative School, South Lake High School, Leesburg High School, Wildwood High School, Mascotte ABE

Out-of-School Program

Youth interested in participating must be:

- A high school graduate or needing to complete high school
- Willing to earn a State of Florida High School Diploma or equivalent GED, attain industry credentials that help lead to employment.
- Prepared to enroll in college, enlist in the military, obtain vocational training and/or obtain employment upon completion.

Out-of-School program activities:

- Attend weekly workshops to develop skills that will lead to industry credentials/certifications and assist with obtaining employment upon completion of the program

Out-of-school program added benefits include:

- Opportunity to earn up to \$500* for completing weekly workshops and achieving goals related to career preparation, academics and work experience.
- Potential for a paid* work experience for up to eight weeks (eligibility/suitability applies.)

Out-of-School Locations** Goodwill Job Connection Center-Orlando, Sanford, Kissimmee, Clermont, Leesburg, Lake Tech Eustis, Sumter TBD, Kissimmee WCF One Stop

* NOTE: Incentives and work experience dollar amounts are subject to change and are pending final approval. ** Locations subject to change.

Sign up to be contacted by a Project CoNEXTion Career Coach by visiting www.WorkforceCentralFlorida.com/Youth

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