

**Student Apprentice Survey
Alamance-Burlington School System**

We are surveying Alamance County students who participated in the Apprenticeship Program last school year (20xx-xx). The purpose of this survey is to learn how students feel about their apprenticeship experience and what additional skills they think students working as apprentices need. Below are a series of questions about your apprenticeship experience last year. If you choose to complete the survey, all the information you supply will be held in the strictest confidence. No individual will be identified, and all responses will be reported in a summarized format. Your decision to answer these questions will in no way affect your relationship with the Alamance-Burlington School System. For more information about your rights as a participant in this project, please contact Mrs. Vickie Hodge, Tech Prep Coordinator, xxx-xxx-xxxx. Please return the survey using the self-addressed, postage paid envelope as soon as possible. Thank you for taking time to complete this survey. Your responses will be used to make the apprenticeship experience more meaningful to the students and employers of Alamance County. We look forward to hearing from you.

Name (Optional): _____
 High School Attended School Year 20xx-xx: _____ Graduating Year: _____
 Company where you worked as a student apprentice last school year (20xx-xx): _____

 Company Address: _____
 Type of business/industry: _____

Questions 1-6 are about your current employment, education and military status.

1. What is your current employment status:
 - Employed full time
 - Employed part-time
 - Employed both full-time and part-time (two jobs)
 - Not employed

2. If you are currently employed, what is the name of your employer? _____

3. What type of work do you perform? _____

4. Are you now employed where you worked as an apprentice during the school year 20xx-xx?
 - YES Why did you decide to stay with this employer?

 - NO Why did you leave this employer?

5. Are you currently enrolled in college?
 - YES
 - NO

6. Are you currently serving in the military?
 - YES
 - NO

Questions 7-18 are about your experience working as a student apprentice for the school year 20xx-xx.

7. How did you become involved in the Apprenticeship Program in high school? *(Check all that apply.)*
- I found out through one of my classes, and my teacher helped me arrange the apprenticeship.
 - The high school career development coordinator helped me arrange the apprenticeship.
 - My parents/guardian/friends helped me arrange the apprenticeship.
 - Other *(Please explain.)* _____

8. When did you begin working as an apprentice? *(Check all that apply.)*
- Last year was the first time I worked as an apprentice.
 - I worked as an apprentice for this employer the year before.
 - I worked as an apprentice at another site the year before.
 - I have worked as an apprentice for more than two years.

9. For each work experience component listed below indicate the orientation you received as a student apprentice *(Check all that apply.)*:
- ① **Worksite Orientation** (through training, workshops, or on the job) ② **No Orientation** (did not receive any training at work) ③ **NA** (not applicable, the component did not apply to the apprentice position)

Work Experience Components	Worksite Orientation	No Orientation	NA
Tasks or work processes that students will perform	①	②	③
Skills required of the job	①	②	③
Work environment (schedule of rotation through departments)	①	②	③
Normal work hours, days off, holidays	①	②	③
Benefits	①	②	③
Technology and equipment that the student mayor may not use	①	②	③
Safety precautions	①	②	③
Dress code and behavior	①	②	③
Other: <i>(Please explain.)</i>	①	②	③

10. For most of your apprenticeship, what type of supervision did you have *(School year 20xx-xx)?*
- I was assigned to one employee.
 - I was assigned to a team of employees.
 - I was allowed to work independently; there was one person I could ask questions.
 - I was allowed to work independently; there were several people I could ask questions.
 - I worked independently and did not have anyone person or group of people I could ask questions.
 - Other *(Please explain.)* _____

11. What was your beginning hourly wage as an apprentice? \$ _____ per hour

12. What were some of the things you liked best about working as a student apprentice? *(Check all that apply.)*
- Type of work I did
 - Work was challenging
 - Hours I worked
 - Work conditions
 - Pay
 - People I worked with
 - Feeling of accomplishment in doing something I was good at
 - Being able to work and go to school
 - Early release from school
 - Learning more about jobs and careers I was interested in
 - Other *(Please explain.)* _____

13. What were some of the things you liked **least** about working as a student apprentice?(Check all that apply)

- Type of work I did
- Work was challenging
- Hours I worked
- Work conditions
- Pay
- People I worked with
- Trying to manage working and going to school
- Other *(Please explain.)* _____

14. What do you wish you had known before working as a student apprentice? *(What advice would you give to other students? Check all that apply.)*

- Pay attention more in class.
- Take challenging courses while you are in school.
- Take advantage of any career exploration and guidance opportunities available to you while in school.
- Try harder to make good grades.
- Other *(Please explain.)* _____

15. My apprenticeship employer helped me see the need for continuing my education by:

- Talking with me about the skills and education needed for jobs in this particular industry.
- Offering scholarships for students to continue their education.
- Offering tuition reimbursement for employees wanting to continue their education.
- My apprenticeship employer never talked with me about continuing my education after high school.

16. What do you think students need to be able to do/to know to work as apprentices?

- Reading proficiency
- Mathematics proficiency
- Science proficiency
- Proficiency in a vocational/technical area
- Other _____

17. Overall, my apprenticeship experience was:

- Great, I learned a lot and think it was a valuable experience.
- Somewhat worthwhile, I feel like I gained from the experience.
- Okay, I wish I could have been assigned work that was more challenging.
- Not very worthwhile, I did not learn anything new.
- Horrible, I did not like the apprenticeship experience.

Please explain your answer: _____

18. Based on your experience as an apprentice, rate the performance of the Alamance-Burlington School System in preparing students for apprenticeships.

- Outstanding
- More than adequate
- Adequate
- Barely acceptable
- Unacceptable

Please explain your answer: _____

