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To Parents/Guardians:

The College & Career Pathways Program is available to your student through the Butte County SELPA. Some services are offered in their classrooms, such as pre-employment skills training, including practice filling out job applications, searching for prospective jobs and interview practice. The program is a supplement to your district transition services, and staff is available for assisting with transition from high school.

One of the services not offered in their classroom through College & Career Pathways is a paid internship with an employer in their community. We offer more than 200 of these internships each year and have more than 100 employer partners throughout Butte County. These internships are offered outside of school hours. To qualify, the student must:

- Have an active Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan through their school
- Have 90% Attendance over the 30 days prior to placement
- Be eligible for a work permit through their school (attendance, grades and behavior policies may apply)
- Have a Social Security Card (original must be seen by the job developer before student can be employed)

We have different employment programs, starting with a 10-hour introduction to work for our 14-15-year-old students, and for students over 16, up to 300 hours, as needed. The purpose of our program is to better prepare students for life after high school, and give them an opportunity to learn employability skills with our staff there to mentor them through the process. Students will earn minimum wage during their internship, paid through the Butte County Office of Education (BCOE), and they will be covered by liability and worker’s compensation. Students receiving SSI benefits may have their income excluded under the Student Earned Income Exclusion.

Application folders can be picked up from our office, or through the IEP case manager. For questions or more information on the program, please feel free to contact our office at 530-532-5922.

Sincerely,

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