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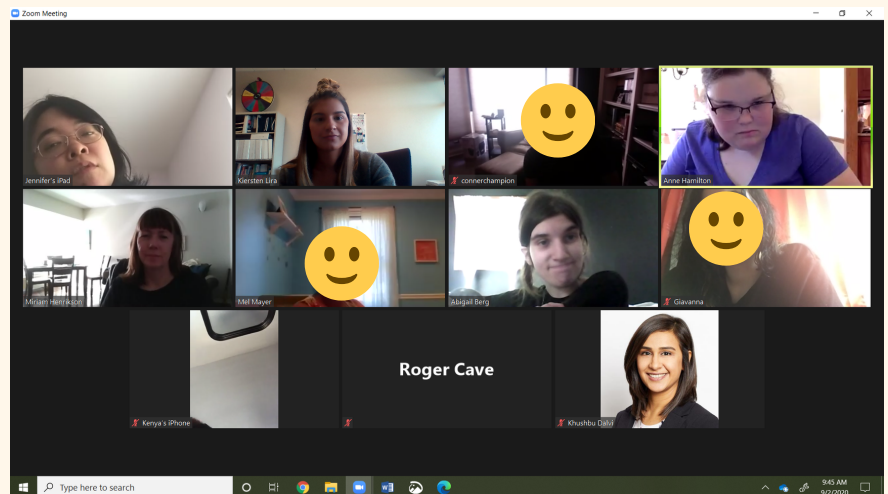
What have we been up to...?

In the Classroom

Welcome! These past two months, our students and staff have been very busy preparing and honing their skills to use at a worksite-- and the exciting time is finally upon us! Students have been working hard during our online classroom meetings!

Students have discussed professional conduct in the workplace, job expectations, and what makes a good resume. By synthesizing all that we had learned the students began writing or improving their own resumes. We are also beginning to learn how to write cover letters and search for jobs online!

Since worksites have started some of our class time is used to discuss successes and difficulties on the job in a supportive group environment. Our students have continued to show tremendous growth each week and we are so proud of them for working hard in this difficult time!



At Worksites!

Recently, many of our students have started their worksites in various locations around the community. These worksites help our students learn valuable skills that will transfer over to future job opportunities and improve their professional development. It has been amazing to see our students learn and grow so quickly in vivo. Here are some of our students hard at work!



Abby at Tabor Hills



Anne at Tabor Hills

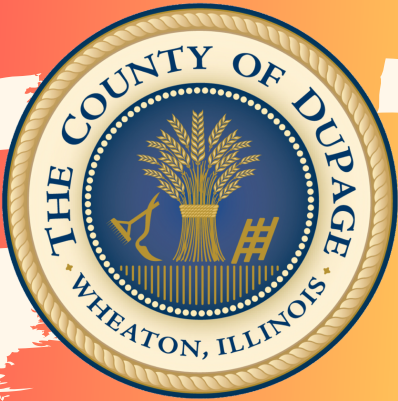


Jennifer at NCC



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Connor at Jiffy Lube



Mel At Dupage County

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Giovanna at All Flowers with Expressions



Gabriella at McDonalds

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Kenya at Meijer

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See what has been happening with ACC...

In the classroom, our ACC students have been busy attending class 4 times a week! Our students have focused on employability skills, social skills, and independent living skills. Our students have participated in 2 sets of mock interviews with business partners and experience what it is like to virtually interview for job opportunities! Our students have all been working on perfecting their resumes and learning how to complete job applications, all of this is to prepare our ACC students for employment!!



In the classroom, our ACC students have also had the opportunity to participate in a variety of training experiences onsite at Turning Pointe:

- Sorting LEGO pieces for PEACEBRIX by category
- Disassembled keyboards for eWORKS
- Alphabetically enter data by listing information in respective categories
- Sorting and peeling crayons



As for vocational training sites, many of our students have started their worksites in various locations around the community. Great job!!



Joey at Aperion Care



Spencer at Pet Supplies Plus



Ayrias at The Bazaar Inc.



Brendon at Hyatt Lodge