PRE-APPRENTICESHIPS IN SCHOOLS (PAiS) PROGRAM

WHAT IS PAiS?

Pre-Apprenticeships in Schools is an innovative, one year 'transition to work' program designed to meet the specific needs of those students in Year 11 or Year 12 who are planning to pursue an apprenticeship as a post-school option. The program consists of 3 days in school and 2 days out of school.

The focus is on assisting students who wish to transition from school at the end of Year 11 or Year 12 to employment in either an apprenticeship or traineeship, or to continue with TAFE studies.

For 3 days a week, students work at Nagle to complete General Religion and Life, English and two other subjects. Students have 2 study periods a day (to catch up on work missed on a Thursday and Friday). It is recommended that students continue to study a General Mathematics course when completing pre-apprenticeships such as Electrotechnology or Automotive Servicing Technology.

For 2 days a week, students in Year 11/12 attend Central Regional TAFE to complete their pre-apprenticeship where they are taught by lecturers with relevant and current trade qualifications. Student will be linked to an employer for work placement to complete mandatory hours of work placement as nominated in the WESTERN AUSTRALIAN PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM BUSINESS RULES 2020. These Certificate II programs have been nominated by Western Australian industry training councils as valid pathways from school to a traditional trade apprenticeship.

BENEFITS OF PRE-APPRENTICESHIPS IN SCHOOLS

Successful applicants for a Certificate II Pre-Apprenticeship will:

- have an industry endorsed pathway with the potential for transition a full-time apprenticeship.
- receive credit towards WACE for successful completion of units of competency; and
- received a nationally recognised qualification upon completion of program.

CONDITIONS TO BE MET

Places for pre-apprenticeships in schools are limited. When applying, students will be required to:

- be on track to obtain their WACE
- have support from Nagle including endorsement of work readiness;
- meet specific industry licensing requirements;
- meet Australian citizenship or visa requirements; and
- demonstrate satisfactory work ethic, a positive attitude and a willingness to fulfill his/her potential
- Complete work experience, which may take place during school holidays
- Meet deadlines for submitting paperwork

STUDENT APPLICATION PROCESS FOR PRE-APPRENTICESHIPS IN SCHOOLS

Entry to PAiS is via a PAiS enrolment form, which is available from the Careers office.

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WORK PLACEMENT

RTOs will:

- coordinate work placements in partnership with the schools;
- organise work placements within a timeframe agreed by all stakeholders; and
- provide schools with evidence that the work placement has been established and monitored.

Nagle will:

- Complete the placement and insurance paperwork and forward it to the relevant parties.

RTO FEES AND CHARGES

Secondary school students undertaking pre-apprenticeships in schools as part of their secondary education are exempt from RTO tuition fees. However, some industries may require the students to purchase uniforms, protective equipment, textbooks or trade equipment/tools.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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Please note:

- Students are required to attend key school functions and events, even if they fall on TAFE days. These days will be specified at time of accepting a place on the program.
- Students must attend all designated days at TAFE. Failure to do so may put the student at risk of not completing or obtaining their qualification, which in turn makes a successful transition and obtaining a WACE.

Want to join PAiS?

1. Speak to your parents about the idea

Consider your commitment and how this training option may be beneficial to your career pathway.

2. Make an appointment to see the Careers Team

You will be given advice on the suitability of this option for you and your career pathway.

3. Nagle Application Process

Complete an application form from Careers. If successful, you will need to complete a Central Regional TAFE application form and online application.

4. Central Regional Tafe Process

Complete your Central Regional TAFE Application online form and attend an interview with Central Regional Tafe, and an aptitude test (certain trades only) that must be completed to determine your suitability for the program.

5. Offer

If successful, students wil be made an offer, conditional on ongoing postiive behaviour, attitude, attendance and effort.