



PROJECT LIFE[®]



INDEPENDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT IS OUR GOAL!

Pursuing **PASSION**, finding **PURPOSE** and making an **IMPACT** through authentic education and meaningful employment.





West Chester
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Monroe

Program Overview:

Project LIFE[®] was developed in 2007 by Butler Tech special education administrators and teachers in collaboration with stakeholders from Butler County Board of Developmental Disabilities, Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities, parent mentors, and associated school district personnel. Evolving over time, Project LIFE[®] now provides a multi-year, multi-leveled continuum of quality transition programming for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Additional time, combined with targeted and authentic learning opportunities provides students and families an opportunity to realize a more independent future than was possible in year's past.

Project LIFE[®] is a full day program and follows the Butler Tech calendar. Classroom instruction is limited and will focus on job and life skills. In order to apply for this one year program, students must complete their high school academic requirements and want to be competitively employed in the future. Transportation to and from Project LIFE[®] sites is provided by the home school.

Curriculum Topics:

- Team Building
- Work Place Safety
- Social Skills and Communication
- Personal Financial Literacy
- Technology
- Preparing for Employment
- Maintaining Employment
- Independent Living

Staff Per Site:

- One Instructor/Coordinator
- One Lead Skills Trainer
- Three Skills Trainers

What is Competitive Employment?

Competitive employment is a job with competitive wages and responsibilities for a minimum of 20 hours per week. Short-term support may be provided to learn a job but there is no expectation for long term or daily supports.

How Do I Apply?

Each Project LIFE[®] site is limited to a specific number of interns per year. In order to apply, you must complete the application with your home school district staff. The application will be reviewed by a selection committee followed by an interview. If accepted, the selection committee will determine individual placement location.

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