



Project SEARCH

School to Work Transition Program

Section 99aa

(SAF)

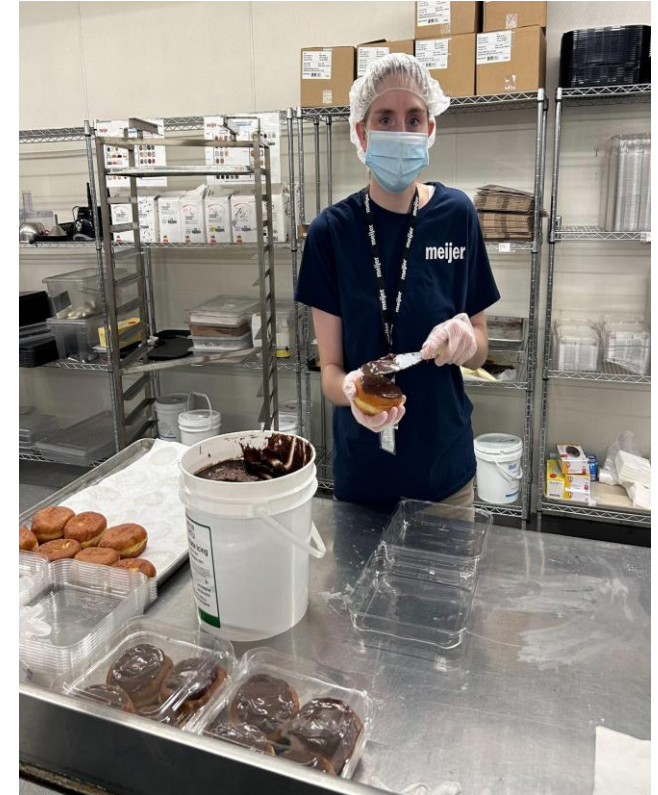
\$1.5 million



Corewell Health Wayne



Henry Ford West Bloomfield



Meijer Store, Burton

Project SEARCH Model



Immersion in a quality host business



Prepares interns for challenging, complex jobs



Teaches marketable, competitive skills



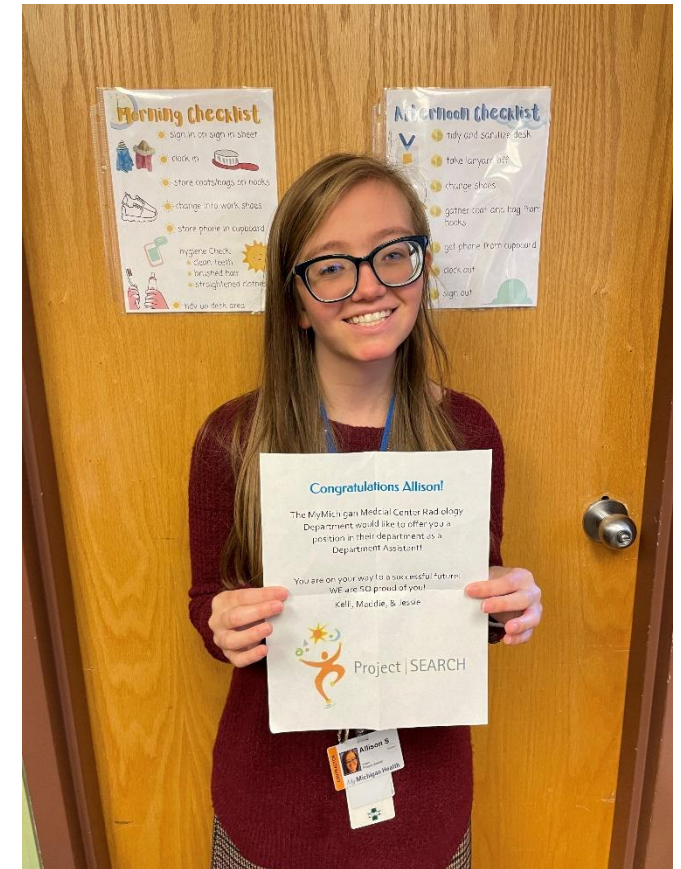
Gives interns a year to build stamina and skills



Adds value to the workforce and community



Team approach to training and outcome of employment



Project SEARCH programs have an **85%** average employment rate in Michigan!
Average: 25 hrs/week, & \$14.50/hr

(Compared to 19% national employment rate for people with disabilities.)

Project SEARCH employment goals:

Integrated setting

At least 16 hours per week

Non-seasonal

Pays the prevailing wage



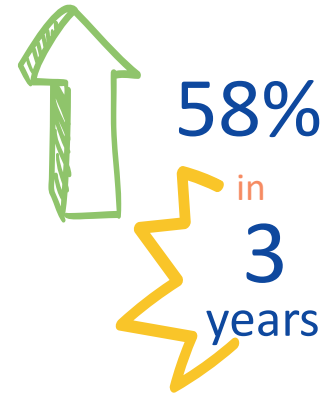
*The instructor and business liaison from Corewell West (Grand Rapids) smiling because they won the **100% employment award!***

Project SEARCH: A School to Work Transition Program

Current Business Partners:

City of Sterling Heights, Sterling Heights
Consumers Energy, Jackson
Corewell West, Grand Rapids
Corewell Health South, St. Joseph
Corewell Health Dearborn Hospital
Corewell Health Beaumont Hospital, Troy
Corewell Health University, Royal Oak
Corewell Health Trenton Hospital
Corewell Health Wayne Hospital
Duncan Aviation, Battle Creek
Genesee County Parks, Flint
Henry Ford Hospital, West Bloomfield
McLaren Oakland Hospital, Pontiac
Meijer Store #29, Burton
Michigan State University, East Lansing
MyMichigan Hospital Sault, Sault Ste. Marie
ProMedica Bixby & Herrick Hospital, Adrian
ProMedica Monroe Hospital, Monroe
Trinity Health Livingston, Howell

With funding, Project SEARCH
partnerships
increased



Project | SEARCH



The challenge? Preparing young adults for competitive integrated employment in their communities. **The Solution?** Project SEARCH programs: a statewide data driven, researched partnership with Michigan businesses and school districts.



Opportunity & Employment

Benefits of Project SEARCH:

Immersive Work Exposure

- Project SEARCH interns gain real-world work experience in real time for multiple hours a day to build skills, stamina and job preferences.

Business Focus

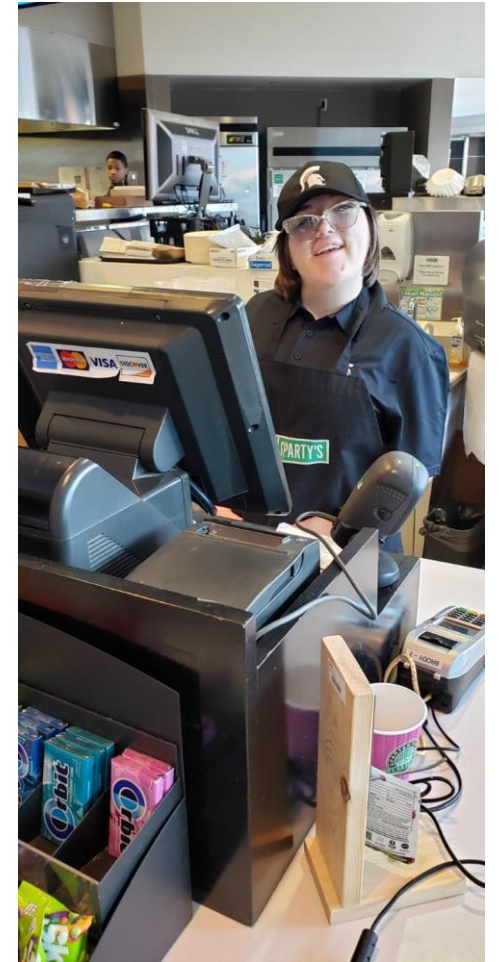
- Immediate access to a trained talent stream to fill open positions.
- Ability to grow disability awareness in staff, shape culture and strategic initiatives..

Economic Growth

- An enhanced workforce and increased employment help contribute to the state's workforce needs and long term economic growth. When gainfully employed, individuals with disabilities are less likely to rely on public or private assistance.

Cost Savings

- Project SEARCH programs provide an estimated 4 fold return on investment in the form of cost savings for local schools while creating local taxpayers.



www.projectsearch.us