

Work Experience

Frequently Asked Questions



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School

When can my young person undertake work experience?

We do not have designated Work Experience time. This enables flexibility in regard to workplace availability. The timing of the Work Experience needs to be negotiated with subject teachers, family, and workplace providers in a timely manner. The least disruptive time to a young person's learning is during the School Holidays. Required paperwork needs to be completed 4 weeks prior to placement commencing.

"The timing of the placement, including start and finish times, are arranged directly between the employer, student and school and must be in line with industry awards (eg no more than 8 hours per day)." - cited DfE Workplace Learning Procedure Document

Do all BSS students have to complete work experience?

There are no formal requirements for BSS students to complete work experience. Young people who wish to engage in Vocational Educational Training (VET) subjects are encouraged to complete a work experience placement to provide evidence for their VET application. This experience also supports and informs the young person's decision making regarding their future pathways.

What learning do young people need to have completed before commencing work experience?

Young people need to have completed 12 modules of WorkPRO before commencing Work Experience. During Year 10 all young people are introduced to this as part of the HG program.

Who finds the work experience placement?

The young person is responsible for sourcing the placement.

Do workplaces require additional qualifications for young people to complete work experience?

Some workplaces require young people to have additional qualifications, such as, when working with children, the student needs to have a Working with Children Check. In the Construction Industry, white card training is required.

What is the process once my young person has located a work experience placement?

A Workplace Learning Agreement Form must be completed with all sections signed. This form needs to be handed into Senior School Reception; it will be reviewed by the Student Pathways and Careers Leader for approval. The approved form will be emailed back to the student, family and workplace provider.