



Work Based Learning

My Experience
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My experience volunteering at Park Pointe Village

- What did you learn? During my time at Park Pointe volunteering as an assistant to the event coordinator, I learned many things. I learned to be relational with the residents and get to know them in order to understand what types of events they would enjoy. I used creativity when planning themes and designing invitations. Similar to creativity, I was needed to help problem solve. Almost all companies have budgets and restrictions which you need to be able to work around. But at the same time, you also need to be able to make the most with what you are given. Lastly, I learned to collaborate with different branches of the company depending on the event. If an event at Park Pointe involves food, I have to meet with the culinary managers and plan the menu based on budget and theme. If the event involves a certain group of residents, I need to meet with a representative from that group to make sure we are on the same page etc.

- What are you learning during the virtual times/Where will you go from here? So far, I haven't gotten to experience much during these difficult times. I was very upset to learn that all the event I had begun planning had been cancelled until further notice. I am however getting to see how events can be rescheduled, and all of the things that go into rescheduling. I am hopeful that I will still get to do some of the event I planned this summer so I am still searching online for ideas.
- Would you recommend ATC and why? Yes, I would highly recommend ATC. It allows students to take courses to explore different career cluster and see what they enjoy. It was amazing to take classes that related to things I was interested in, rather than simple core classes. As far as work based learning goes, I would highly recommend that as well. I loved having a change of scenery from the typical school setting as well a change is schedule. I also think it was very beneficial for me to experience and office work environment during high school, so that I could learn if I wanted to pursue a job with a similar environment. Overall I think it is very beneficial for students to experience hands on activities during school to help them decide the career that is best for them.

Examples

Here are some example of work that I completed while at Park Pointe.

This table was on I decorated for an Amish themed dinner. I chose all of the decorations to fit a theme as well as decorated the tables and room it was held in.



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These are all images I designed digitally to market/ add an extra element to different events for this spring at PPV.

The image above was going to be used for a Titanic themes dinner. I researched 50 passengers and created an identification card, like the one above, for each.

This was to give each resident a personality while we recreated a meal during the historic night.



Both of these were to market for the annual Park Pointe Prom which was boardwalk themed. So far, I had coordinated a menu and selected many decorations to create a summery and fun evening.



Overall I really enjoyed my time at PPV. I think it was very beneficial and I learned a lot of really important and interesting things. I am grateful for this experience and would recommend it to anyone searching for the right career for them.