

STUDENT FAQ



1. Who may take courses in a Midlands Youth Apprenticeship?

Any high school student, from a participating school district, who is interested in one of the career fields or industries represented may take courses in a Midlands Youth Apprenticeship; as long as that student meets the requirements for that program for which they are applying.

2. Who is responsible for tuition and textbooks?

Students who meet the program entry requirements and are selected by an employer to be hired as a Youth Apprentice, will not have to pay for tuition or textbooks. Those costs are being covered by program sponsors and financial aid, if applicable.

3. How do I apply for this program?

Complete the Midlands Youth Apprenticeship program application at MIDLANDSTECH.EDU/mya.

4. Who can I contact if I have questions about this program?

Reason to Contact	Organization	Contact	Phone	Email
Questions related to admissions and testing	Midlands Technical College Admissions and Testing	Spencer Griffin	732.5337	griffins@midlandstech.edu
If you are an employer interested in partnering in MYA	Midlands Technical College MYA employer information	Kimberly Williams	691.3962	williamsk@midlandstech.edu
General questions related to MYA and Chamber	Columbia Chamber	Chelsey Allen	733.1133	callen@columbiachamber.com

5. What is the goal of the Midlands Youth Apprenticeship Program?

This program was designed by Midlands Technical College, the Columbia Chamber, and Apprenticeship Carolina to provide students with the opportunity to get a head start on their career. It accomplishes this goal by integrating high school education, post-secondary training, and hands-on industry experience. This approach will give students a chance to earn college credits, finish their high school diploma, and get hands-on experience in a field they are interested in pursuing; all while earning a paycheck from the employer providing their apprenticeship.

6. Will all students who apply be accepted?

No. This is a competitive program with limited slots. Students accepted into the program will have to meet the eligibility requirements of both their participating school district and Midlands Technical College. Qualified students' applications will be sent to the participating employers. Students whose applications are selected by those employers will then have the opportunity to interview with the participating employers. Employers will select the students who they believe are the best fit for the position. Only students selected by employers will be enrolled into the program.

7. Can students who participate in extra-curricular activities participate in the Midlands Youth Apprenticeship Program?

Youth Apprentices will have a very full schedule consisting of their high school classes, college classes at MTC, and part time employment with one of our participating employers. This schedule will make participation in extra-curricular activities quite challenging. We strongly encourage all students considering this program to consider their youth apprenticeship to be their primary focus. Doing so will greatly increase the likelihood of the program resulting in success.