



Clothing for the World of Work

Tami Kaup

NPS Building: Norfolk High School/ AFS

Grade: Other: 12+

Subject: Special Education

Amount Requested: \$750.00

Project Summary: I teach vocational skills at Norfolk Senior High School. My students are just entering the workforce and they sometimes need help with "work-related" clothing to meet their needs. This may include anything from a belt, pants, no skid shoes, work shirts and interview clothes.

Itemized Budget: Funds would allow us to help students purchase work-related clothing on an as needed basis.

We would use the funds to purchase items such as:

- * Slip-resistant shoes = \$60.00
- * Pants = \$30.00
- * Belts = \$20.00
- * Work shirts = \$25.00

Timetable and Plan: This is dependent on the students needs. We are constantly communicating with the students and parents. Through conversations we are assessing the students needs to see what they may need to meet their workplace expectations. This is also dependent on what their families are able to contribute and what the workplace is already providing.

Evaluation/Measureable Result: Results of this would be measured by observational data - what the students are saying and doing in regards to work readiness, as related to their clothing and appearance. If the students already know the skill of professional dress or choose not to use this opportunity that would be appropriate as long as the students are meeting their employers expectations. The results of this would be shared with students, staff, parents and other team members via pictures and conversations.

Teacher Comments: Our school is at 50% free and reduced lunch. This means that families and students alike have a need for help when it comes to professional dress and getting students ready for the workforce. If funded this gives the students an authentic experience on a lot of different levels. And, authentic experiences, motivate profound learning.