

NORTH SHORE YOUTH CAREER CENTER | FALL 2022 UPDATES



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F1rstJobs Summer 2022

Summer of 2022 marked our 18th year of F1rst Jobs and was a huge success!! Working in partnership with Commonwealth Corporation and 33 North Shore municipalities and non-profit worksites, MassHire NorthShore Youth Career Center and Workforce Board placed over 400 youth in summer jobs across the region. F1rstJobs, our Summer Jobs initiative, began in 2005, and was a response to the incredible demand for summer jobs on the part of young adults, their families, and educators. Through this program, young adults not only participate in hands-on job experiences, but also engage in training on career readiness, soft skills, finding, getting and keeping a job. This summer all young adults worked in-person at worksites, with some online work, at a variety of agencies and experiencing firsthand what it is like to join the workforce! Youth participants were from the following communities: Beverly, Danvers, Essex, Gloucester, Ipswich, Lynn, Manchester, Marblehead, Middleton, Peabody, Rockport and Salem, in jobs that included, but not limited to aquarium staff, camp counselors, clinical services aide, classroom/educator/group aides/leaders, community service projects, farming, maintenance, marketing, office work, operations, resale/recycling, tour guides and introduction to trades such as carpentry, culinary, electrical, hvac, and landscaping



NEWHALL FIELDS FARM



**THE FOOD PROJECT
AT INGALLS SCHOOL FARM**

NEW STAFF SPOTLIGHT: JUAN WILLIAMS



Juan brings some fifteen years experience working in workforce development, most recently as the Program Manager/Senior Career Coach at Somerville Community Corp where he coached participants to establish individual career plans, job placement guidance and facilitating job readiness workshops such as resume writing, interview preparation and workplace communication.

He also worked at ROCA Inc, as a Senior Career Coach, working with young people to assist with their job search and career goals. Juan's additional experience as a recruiter and his partnerships with the business community will have an immediate impact with the communities we serve.

Juan earned a BS in Business Administration from Cambridge College and is bilingual Spanish. We're excited to have Juan join our MassHire Team!

BACK TO SCHOOL

The school year is back and that means MassHire is back in the schools! After a long summer of working with local youth to get jobs and partnering with employers that hire them we are excited to embrace the start of this school year. The start of the school year signifies so much for students, for parents, and even employers. For students it's the start of a new chapter, for parents it can be a reprieve, and for employers it can mean loss of help; but for the MassHire youth career center team it's an opportunity to meet students in their place of learning and build workplace readiness skills.

Currently we are facilitating a series of workshops at Salem High School for their juniors in the early college program, we are also partnered with NSCC in their gateway to college program to facilitate similar workshops for their youth. Those are just two of the many schools/ programs we are involved with so far. As the year continues more and more partnerships form that benefit the youth in the North Shore area.

Our goal with these workshops is to equip as many youth as possible with the requisite skills to be successful in any career path they choose while ensuring that they know the MassHire youth career team is a resource that is here to help and to serve.