



# Teacher Externship 2022

Session Options:

JULY  
18-21 OR  
AUG.  
1-4

The GO CAPS Teacher Externship Program was designed to promote the philosophy of the GO CAPS Program: connecting business and education. The GO CAPS Program for high school juniors and seniors connects students with a wide range of career opportunities, but the experience is limited to the students in the program.

The Teacher Externship Program invites middle school and high school educators and administrators to connect with area businesses by experiencing industries and professional fields outside of their normal school environment. The program is designed so that you can take your experiences in area businesses back to your school to better prepare your students for some of the incredible opportunities that exist in this area!

**Need another reason to participate? Teachers are paid \$500 for completion of the four-day summer externship in July or August, attendance at the 2023 Winter Summit, and a continuing education project with externship participants.**

## Tentative Agenda:

- Monday: Program orientation at Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce and industry field trips
- Tuesday: Full day at assigned business location
- Wednesday: Full day at second assigned business location
- Thursday: Debrief and closing
- Early 2023: Winter Summit to reconnect with peers and business partners

## What to Expect:

- Exposure to leadership of various departments and functions within a local business
- Collaboration and valuable connections with area business leaders and teachers from other districts
- Opportunities to see the business world outside of the education field and gain experiences that will help students prepare for the workforce
- More than 300 business connections that educators can contact for real-world applications of lessons they teach in their classrooms

## Advice from a past teacher extern:

"Do it! It's such a valuable experience. We always tell our students to try new things and get out of their comfort zones. Who are we not to take our own advice?!"



"The Externship Program is some of the BEST professional development I have had in my 20+ years of teaching! Being able to hear from businesses what they are seeing in new employees and what they NEED from new employees was invaluable. Those companies became part of my professional network!"

-Julie Staats,  
Nixa High School



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