

SYEP SCHOOL-YEAR PROGRAM FAQs

Is this an internship? No, the 2020/21 school-year program is an opportunity for you to learn 21st century skills, team building and job readiness skills. It will span across the fall, winter and spring quarters and is a "learn and earn" program. Normally this program is in-person, but during COVID, we will be either be virtual or in-person per the [Seattle and King County Public Health COVID-19 guidelines](#).

How many openings are there? There are 200 slots available for the school-year program. Due to high demand, only new applicants who have never participated in SYEP will be eligible. All eligible applicants will be entered into a lottery. Additional applicants may be placed on a waitlist and will be contacted if a slot becomes available.

What am I learning? "Soft" skills (i.e., team building, communication, problem-solving), pre-employment skills (i.e., resume and cover letter writing, interviewing), and career exploration.

What is expected of me? Each quarter will consist of 15 participation hours that includes learning activities, regular one-on-one meetings with a trusted youth development counselor and small group meetings.

How much will I earn? The school-year program includes three quarters. You must complete 80% (12 hours) of the total program hours to qualify for the \$300 stipend per quarter. You will earn up to \$900 total for all three quarters!

When does the program start and end? The program starts October 2021 and ends April 2022.

How will training occur? In accordance with the City of Seattle's current response to COVID-19, all program activities will either occur virtually or in-person depending on the level of restrictions in place at the time of the program start date. If virtual, the program will be best experienced through a desktop/laptop and consistent internet access. There will be opportunities to meet online in small groups and one-on-one with a youth development counselor. In-person services and classes will resume once the safety guidelines are lifted.

What if I do not have access to the internet and a computer to participate? Please contact SYEP if you need support.

How will I know if I am in the program? You will be notified by email if you are accepted into the program.

Do I get a partial stipend? No. A participant must complete a minimum of 80% of the program hours. Stipends will not be pro-rated.