



**"EMBRACE YOUR ABILITIES AND CREATE YOUR FUTURE"**



The School of Hire Education is an exciting opportunity in Broward County **for eligible students** with disabilities ages 18 - 22, to obtain real-life employment and life skills as they transition into young adulthood. Arc Broward brings more than 60 years of experience in providing a full continuum of educational and other services for children and adults with developmental and other disabilities. A unique option for students deferring their diploma, the School of Hire Education provides students with opportunities to garner both career and life skills, foster self-confidence, independence, and expand their horizons.

## INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS

For so many students it's difficult to imagine what life will be like after high school graduation. Don't worry! It's a completely normal feeling. The transition to adulthood is challenging but also very exciting.

### What's it like?

The School of Hire Education is a stepping-stone to the next chapter in your life. Based on a beautiful nine-acre campus in Sunrise, Florida, it's a safe place where abilities are realized, fears are diminished and new opportunities are created. With the guidance of your teachers and support of your fellow classmates you will learn new skills to ensure a smooth transition into young adulthood. You will be in small teaching environments where staff can spend quality time with each student.

### What type of instruction will I receive?

Work-Based Learning Experiences (WBLE), Community-Based Instruction (CBI), micro-enterprise, and classroom lessons will be used to teach you, in real-life settings, three key areas:

- Personal - wellness, nutrition, self-care, character building, and prevention
- Vocational - career exploration, job training skills, workforce readiness, and time management
- Community - transportation, safety, community resource awareness, and social outings

### Will it be fun?

The School of Hire Education promises a fun, exciting atmosphere every step of the way. Field trips to community locations will occur along with classroom instruction. For example, you may learn math skills in the classroom and will then put those skills to practice during a shopping trip.

# School of Hire Education

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## INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The School of Hire Education offers a structured work-study program, approved by Broward County Schools, for students who are electing to defer their high school diploma. Choosing the right provider of post-secondary services for a young adult with a disability is an important decision. It's a decision that will carry your child to the next chapter in their young adult life and should be seen as an opportunity to improve their skill set, foster self-confidence and expand their horizons.

### Is the School of Hire Education right for my child?

A child with a disability often attends school with fellow students who are on track to attend programs or college upon graduation from high school. In some cases, students may want to move on and progress, but don't know what their options are to continue building their foundation. The School of Hire Education is an alternative educational opportunity that instills hope for a future they never thought possible. The program is suited for students who desire to obtain community-based competitive employment.

- **Eligibility:** Transition students with disabilities, age 18 through 21, who have opted to defer receipt of their standard high school diploma from the Broward County Public Schools, and who have a postsecondary employment goal; and are returning for a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE).
- **Teachers:** We provide a 1:4 instructional staff to student ratio and teachers are certified.
- **Hours/Days of Operation:** 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. following the Broward County public school calendar.
- **Location:** Arc Broward, 10250 NW 53rd Street, Sunrise, FL 33351, community-based instruction at various business sites throughout Broward County.
- **Tuition:** FREE
- **Transportation:** Transportation to and from school is free for students who live within the geographic boundaries of the following high schools: J.P. Taravella, Piper, Coconut Creek, Coral Glades, Coral Springs, Monarch, Stoneman Douglas, and Plantation.
- **Lunch:** Free and reduced cost lunch program is available for eligible students.

### On campus career tracks

- **Office/Clerical** – Presents students with entry-level administrative tasks such as mail room duties, switchboard operation, data entry, and more.
- **Child/Elder Care** – Offers students the opportunity to assist in a licensed preschool and/or senior day program to learn the art of caring for others in need.

### How soon can my child start and who do I call for more information?

We are currently accepting applications and enrolling students for the current school year. To schedule a campus tour, obtain an application and schedule an interview, contact:

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