



Update from the Superintendent

To: Parents and Guardians
From: Mark McQueen, Superintendent
Date: April 12, 2024

As we continue working tirelessly to put the “A” back in Bay, I am excited to share information about our upcoming job fairs for all high school students next week.

At Bay District Schools, we’re committed to providing our students with opportunities that extend far beyond the classroom walls. These job fairs are not merely about securing part-time employment or summer jobs; they’re about sparking possibility within each and every one of our students. Along with employers from throughout the county, our friends from Tom P. Haney Technical College, Gulf Coast State College and Florida State University-Panama City Campus will be on hand for these events to discuss opportunities with students. Additionally, military recruiters will be available to discuss careers of service. I sincerely thank all the businesses and agencies coming together to help offer this incredible opportunity for our students. All businesses and individuals participating in these job fairs are critical members of our BDS Team of Teams, and we appreciate them giving their valuable time to these events.

For safety and security reasons, these events are only open to students at the host high schools during the school day. After school, however, we welcome students from all private and charter schools and any homeschooled students interested in taking advantage of these events. Connecting students with employers who can help them achieve their goals is an important responsibility, and we’re glad to help as many job seekers as possible.

We can all fondly remember the lessons learned from our first jobs as teenagers – the sense of responsibility, the value of hard work, and the importance of interpersonal skills. These lessons stay with us throughout our lives, shaping who we are and guiding our path forward. The job fairs are not just about employment; they’re about teaching the whole child and ensuring that our graduates are ready to put the "A" back in Bay – to be ambitious achievers committed to improving our community.

So, please mark your calendars and save the dates and locations at this message's end! Let's seize these opportunities together and empower our students to reach for their dreams. By working hand in hand, we can build bright futures and cultivate a community where every individual has the chance to thrive.

Thank you for your unwavering support and dedication to our students' success. I’m confident that together, we will continue to make a difference and shape a future filled with promise and prosperity for our students.

Below are the details for each job fair:

- J.R. Arnold High School
 - Date: April 15
 - Location: J.R. Arnold High School Cafeteria
 - Address: 550 Alf Coleman Road, Panama City Beach, FL 32407
- Bay High School
 - Date: April 16
 - Location: Bay High School Cafeteria
 - Address: 1200 Harrison Avenue, Panama City, FL 32401
- A. Crawford Mosley High School
 - Date: April 18
 - Location: A. Crawford Mosley High School Cafeteria
 - Address: 501 Mosley Drive, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
- Rutherford High School
 - Date: April 19
 - Location: Rutherford High School Cafeteria
 - Address: 1000 School Avenue, Panama City, FL 32401