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***SCHOOL AND BUSINESS  
WORKING TOGETHER***

Greetings, I have been in education for over 33 years. I had the opportunity of teaching business as well as being a career and college guidance counselor. I advised many programs: National Honor Society, Sophomore Class, Interact, Volunteer Club and New Teacher Mentoring Program. I earned a Bachelor's degree at Albany State, Master's degree in Business Education at Bowling Green University and a Master's degree in Guidance and Counseling at College of New Rochelle.

I am so excited to be part of the Workplace Learning Program at Chester Academy. This program provides opportunities to apply classroom learning to workplace experiences. It creates opportunities for exploration of possible careers. These experiences focus on assisting students in developing broad, transferrable skills for post secondary education.

Students are placed in businesses throughout the county. They will work alongside professionals in their field of interest. The internships can be paid or non-paid. If they work 75 hours they can earn ½ high school credit, or work 150 hours they can earn 1 high school credit. The success of the program is being committed and willing to learn. Students typically work after school. They must provide their own transportation.

I also help students find jobs. They are encouraged to check out the job opportunities on the bulletin board outside the library. Students will learn how to apply for a job, as well as learn important employment skills. Many businesses in our community have employed Chester students.

If you looking for an internship, job, career information, resume writing, interviewing skills, college guidance, see Mrs. Blaine in Room 202.

***REAL LIFE WORK EXPERIENCES***

