

EXPLORE ERCA

EFFINGHAM REGIONAL CAREER ACADEMY

Are you a Junior or Senior in High School that is looking to build your employability skills outside of the classroom? Explore ERCA is YOUR opportunity to immerse yourself into the pathways identified by local business, community, and education leaders as high-skill, high-demand career areas in Effingham County.

Are YOU ready to Explore the Effingham Regional Career Academy?

Learn more about the 5 pathways and occupational opportunities in agriculture, health care, information technology, manufacturing and transportation all while earning high school credits!



COURSE DETAILS

COURSE: Explore ERCA **LENGTH:** One Semester **AVAILABLE:** Fall 2022

First 6 weeks the students meet in person, covering many of the course outcomes as described on the back page.

Last 10 weeks of class students meet one day per week in the classroom (Monday), then break into small groups and will be placed at sponsoring businesses 3 days per week (Tuesday-Thursday) where students learn more in depth about the business and their industry while working with industry professionals, on Fridays the class will tour one of our many partner businesses.

Identify a career pathway with educational and professional goals.

COURSE OUTCOMES

- Understand career opportunities with local business and industry
- Recognize how additional training may lead to increased skills and increased wages.
- Understand benefits of non-traditional careers
- Discuss professional and ethical considerations
- Develop a individualized educational plan and/or professional plan for their identified career pathway
- Learn manufacturing techniques
- Understand military time
- Understand the purpose of a policy manual
- Know how to complete a job application and write a resume and cover letter
- Prepare for a job interview
- Understand workplace professionalism
- Understand workplace safety
- Be familiar with a variety of community-based organizations/agencies and the services they provide
- Understand the role of the Chamber of Commerce
- Understand the role of the Regional Growth Alliance
- Identify effective speaking techniques
- Plan and develop a work based learning experience
- Develop essential employability skills through instruction and practice through the Reality Works Essential Employability Skills Program

WHAT YOU NEED

- Laptop
- Reliable Transportation
- C average from previous semester
- Missed no more than 10 days of school the previous year
- And an interest in exploring career opportunities in Effingham County