Using Videos to Make an Impact

TennesseeWorks spent the last year gathering success stories from the community to help improve employment outcomes for your students. Check out our tips for using these videos in your classroom!

**IEP MEETINGS**

IEP meetings are a great opportunity to share information, resources, and set goals with families. Use the TennesseeWorks success videos to take your meetings to a new level!

- Family videos like *The Wilson Family* can open up a discussion about higher expectations and the realities of work after high school.

- Employer interviews are a great way to showcase what a community-based work program looks like, and to help families understand the employer perspective when setting transition goals.

- Use our self-advocate stories as an opener for IEP meetings to set the tone for your planning session while inspiring families to “think big”.

**EMPLOYER VISITS**

Use our employment success stories when meeting with businesses about potential worksites and paid job opportunities.

- Our videos share the benefits of hiring people with disabilities as well as strategies employers have developed to help young adults with disabilities be more successful on the job.

- *Southern Hills Medical Center* and *Bateman Foods* feature work-based learning programs. Use them to help employers understand how a program could work at their site. Bateman Foods has even hired students from their community-based work program after graduation. What a great success story to share!

**RAISING AWARENESS AND EXPECTATIONS**

The Wilson Family
Learn how this family made a job at Publix a reality.

Southern Hills Medical Center
See a work-based learning program in action at this Nashville hospital.
Bateman Foods
This employer uses the work-based learning program to train future employees.

Matthew Drumwright
Matthew creates a paid job opportunity with a local photographer through his hard work as an intern.

CAREER AWARENESS
The TennesseeWorks success stories interview individuals and employers in a variety of career fields. Use these informative videos in your classroom to explore job interests for your students, and to discuss the daily job tasks and requirements related to various industries. The videos are a great way for students to see their peers working in diverse jobs, and to inspire them to have high expectations for their future!

CREATE YOUR OWN VIDEOS
Videos are a great way to engage families, students and communities in transition topics. Whether it’s a parent training, staff development meeting, or student planning sessions, you can use our Tennessee success stories to make an impact.

Ever thought about making your own videos? Use our stories as a model to develop your own line of success stories for your classroom and community. Have a student employment story you want to share with us? Is there an employer in your area that deserves to be recognized for their hiring efforts? Send your video ideas and we may show up in your community to shoot an official TennesseeWorks success story.

Ready to make your own video? Provide us with a finished copy and we’ll feature your video on our website. We can’t wait to see what you create!

Email us at tennesseeworks@vanderbilt.edu

BRITT HENDERSON WORKSHOP SERIES

- All workshops are FREE of charge
- Catered dinner provided
- Free resources and classroom materials
- For educators, school staff, professionals, and families
- Focused on transition and employment topics

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www.tennesseeworks.org/bhws

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Founded in 1996, the Britt Henderson Workshop Series is made possible at no cost to participating educators through an endowment from the Robert and Carol Henderson family in memory of their son Britt. This annual series of workshops provides training focused on innovative evidence-based practices to improve the quality of education for students with diverse learning needs.