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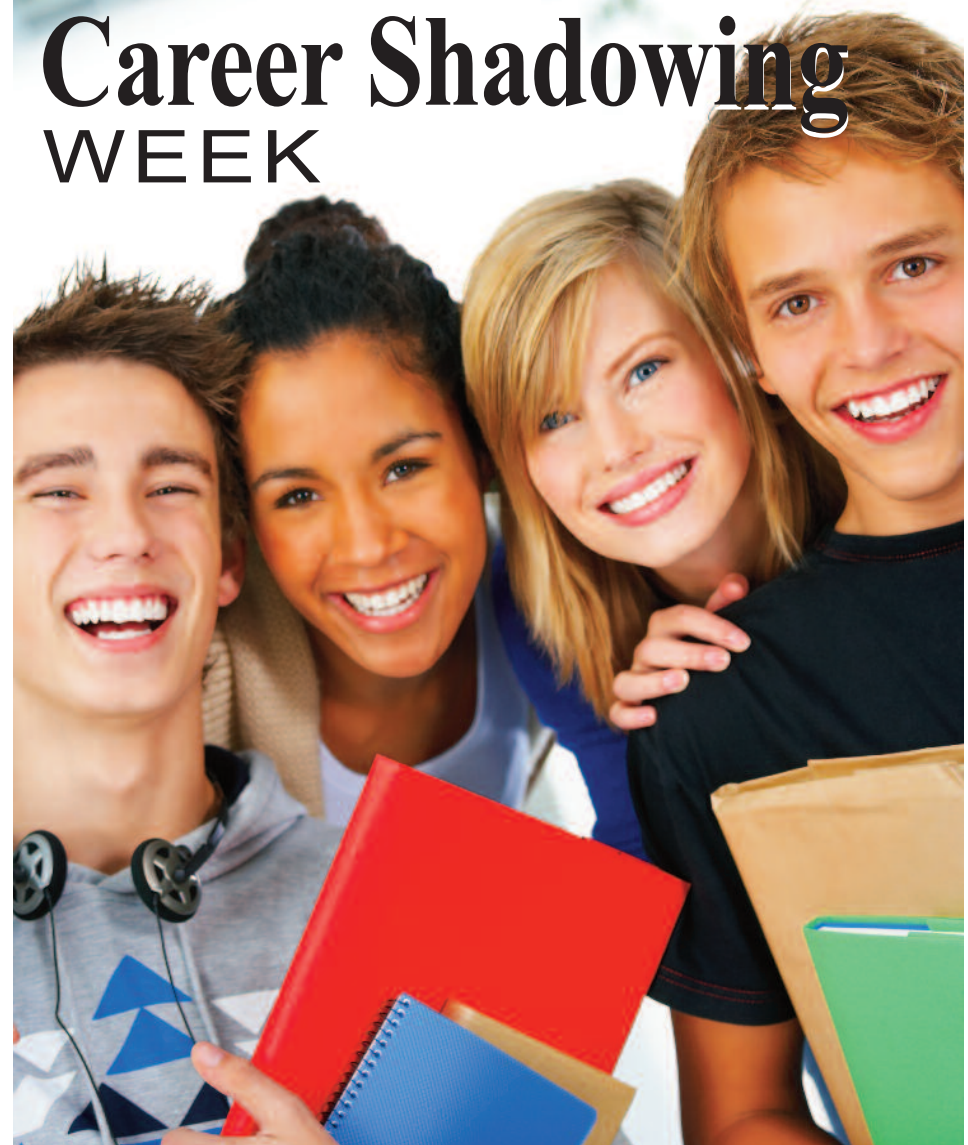


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Businesses and Schools Investing in Cooperative Solutions

Career Shadowing WEEK



November 5-9, 2018

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BASICS is an acronym for Businesses And Schools Investing In Cooperative Solutions.

It is a program administered by the Blair County Chamber of Commerce with a mission of helping Blair County students to learn about career and workforce opportunities, the training and education required to qualify for those opportunities, and the protocols necessary to access them.



Among its major initiatives, the BASICS Steering Committee of the Blair County Chamber of Commerce has developed and will coordinate an annual Career Shadowing Week. Career Shadowing is a specially arranged experience, which introduces students to the workplace and to career opportunities available in the county. Students visit particular worksites and link with designated employees to obtain information related to the student's career interests. This program recognizes the fact that shadowing is a significant experience in guiding students to make an informed career choice. Efforts will be conducted under the auspices of the BASICS Sub-Committee on Career Development. This group consists of approximately 25 business/school representatives, including "school contacts" specifically designated by the Superintendents of the seven Blair County School Districts.

The Plan

- The opportunity to participate will be extended to all junior students.
- Necessary participation forms will be delivered to schools in August.
- In early September, forms will be provided to students. Parent/guardian consent will be required.
- Interested students must return required forms within five days of receipt.
- Volunteers from Blair businesses will determine student/ employer matches by late October.
- Shadowing assignments will be given to qualifying students in early November.
- Transportation will be provided by the student/parent/guardian.
- The shadowing opportunity is typically a half-day experience.
- Career Shadowing Week occurs November 5-9, 2018.
- Student and employer evaluations will be completed and returned to the BASICS Career Development Sub-Committee by December 7, 2018.

