

# Starting in the 2025-26 School Year



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## TRANSITION HIGH SCHOOL

### *“Building Skills that Last a Lifetime”*

Project SEARCH, an international program with over 400+ host sites, is designed to assist youth with disabilities reach their goals of community employment. This program serves as an opportunity for students to transition from high school to community employment by learning and working at our host partner site, Sanford Health Worthington, Monday–Friday from 8:30am - 2:30pm during the school year. During this program, students participate in three, 10-week unpaid internships in different departments. A skills trainer, program instructor and department staff work with the students to help them develop the necessary job and interpersonal skills to gain meaningful employment.



#### PROGRAM COMPONENTS:

- Accommodated environment
- Employability skills class
- Daily living skills training
- Three non-paid internship rotations
- Constructive supervisor evaluations
- College-endorsed completion certificate
- Job placement assistance

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- 18-22 years old with current IEP
- Has met academic requirements for high school graduation, but does not have a signed diploma
- 2nd grade math and reading skills
- Basic communication skills
- Good social skills and basic hygiene
- Independent self-care skills
- Updated immunizations



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