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We are pleased to announce the release of the 2015-2016 Youth Apprenticeship Local Grant and Program Application Request for Proposals. As you know, Governor Walker is dedicated to empowering Wisconsin students to pursue opportunities that will lead to fulfilling careers through the Youth Apprenticeship (YA) Program.

At DWD, we are working to ensure that students can access programs, including Youth Apprenticeship, that enable students to gain work experience in high school. These experiences are critical to students as they consider life after high school and make decisions about post-secondary education and training.

This 2015-16 RFP grant application encourages existing consortia to broaden their programs to enroll a greater variety of students and to increase the number of students served. We also ask that your application highlight opportunities for youth to earn industry-recognized credentials, articulated or dual credit with postsecondary institutions, and other exceptional opportunities made possible by participating in the Youth Apprenticeship Program.

The deadline to submit proposals to DWD is April 17th and late applications will not be accepted. Any questions regarding the application process should be directed to Amelia Phillips, who can be reached at 608-267-3214 or Amelia.Phillips@dwd.wisconsin.gov, or to Jamie Bernthal, who can be reached at 608-267-7210 or JamieT.Bernthal@dwd.wisconsin.gov.

Thank you for the work you do to serve youth and employers in your communities.

Sincerely,

Reggie Newson
Secretary