

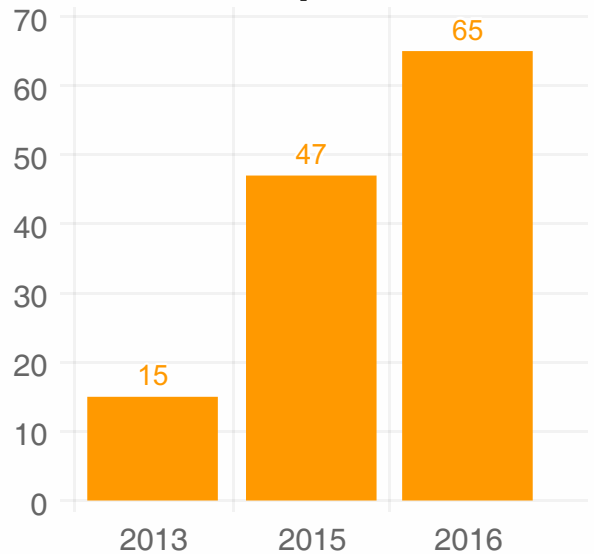
Educator Externship Program

Spring 2016

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Participants



Participation in the externship program has increased by 38% since last year. This year's program has grown to allow 189 individual business visits! An average of 3 visits per educator.

100% of participants agreed that the externship program allowed them to become more aware of local workforce needs (hard skills, soft skills, career readiness, employment opportunities, etc.).

100% of participants agreed that they were able to think of ways to incorporate some of the skills needed (as discussed by employers) into the classroom.

Participating Educators



ONE Middle/High School Educator (Millers Creek Christian School)



NINETEEN Middle School Educators



FORTY-SEVEN High School Educators

Externship Effectiveness

Career & Work Readiness Investments

- Connection between classroom instruction & local workforce needs
- Enhanced relationships between businesses and Wilkes County Schools
- "We need to continue to work on strong verbal skills. This is a weakness for our students. Wilkes has a lot to offer for a small town."
- "InfusionPoints was very interesting and I was amazed by what they do! This would be a great opportunity for students to learn about careers in STEAM."
- "Discussions with employers about what our graduates are lacking regarding interviewing skills, resume tips, etc."
- "I will be able to share career opportunities available to my students."

