Join the #IWantToWork Self-Advocacy Campaign

Welcome to the #IWantToWork self-advocacy campaign to help young people with disabilities in Pennsylvania get jobs and internships while in high school.

It's easy to be part of #IWantToWork. Our goal is to let Pennsylvania policymakers know more needs to be done to help young people with disabilities prepare for jobs when they leave high school between the ages of 18 and 21.

When you take your photo with the #IWantToWork card in front of you, post it using the #IWantToWork hashtag on Twitter, or the #IWantToWork Facebook page, or the #IWantToWork Instagram site. The goal is to send a strong message that young people with disabilities are ready to work, are good workers, and are great for businesses and employers.

The process is simple:

1. Dress for success! Get your camera ready. You or someone else can make the photo. Hold your #IWantToWork sign in front of you inside the picture frame of your cell phone or camera.
2. Smile!
3. Click the shutter to create your photo.
4. Post the photo, with your #IWantToWork sign and your big smile, on the Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram sites using #IWantToWork.
5. Share your post with your friends.
6. Get your family, friends, and other supporters helping young people with disabilities to make their own #IWantToWork photos, too.

This campaign is organized by the Campaign for What Works, the United Way of Allegheny County's 21 and Able initiative, and S2L, the School to Life program of the Pennsylvania Centers for Independent Living. If you’re under 18, you must get written approval or your parents or guardian to post your picture on any of the social media sites.