Awato is working with local employers and the New Hampshire Department of Education to connect secondary students with local, subsidized paid internships.

**How it works**

1. An eligible student connects with The Acme Company, a qualified employer, on the Awato platform.
2. The student applies for the approved employment opportunity and is hired at a wage of $15/hr, paid by The Acme Company.
3. The Acme Company is reimbursed up to $7.50/hr, up to 480 hours, through a wage-match by the NH Department of Education.
4. Students receive credit from their school.

**Awato makes the process easy**

Awato will:

- Recruit employers to the program.
- Help employers through the process of Department of Labor compliance when needed.

Awato will notify educators:

- When a student finds an opportunity and applies in Awato.
- When an employer would like to work with your school.
- About new opportunities posted to the system over the last two weeks.

**Definitions**

**Qualified Employer:** An entity or organization registered with the NH Secretary of State’s office to do business in NH.

**Approved Employment Opportunity:** A student placement with a qualified employer that has been approved by the NH Department of Labor, as required, including hazard occupations, where needed.

**Eligible Students:** Any NH resident student eligible to attend a NH public school. That includes students who may be participating in educational programs, including NH traditional and public charter schools, non-public schools, home education programs and Education Freedom Account Students.

**Wage-Match:** Student employment wages paid to eligible students for placement in approved employment opportunities are eligible for match up to 50% up to $7.50 per hour. Wage-match eligibility may be used at more than one qualified employer.

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