



RAPP WRITING INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Goal of internship: To promote student-written articles that highlight positive stories involving the Rappahannock County Public Schools and to share them with the public through stories in local media sources. Stories will focus on all aspects of the school community including, but not limited to, the following: academics, alumni, community collaborations, community service, and new projects and initiatives.

Number of internships available: We will hire up to two interns per year depending upon the qualifications of applicants, with preference given to one female and one male per year, provided both applicants are similarly qualified.

Stipend: \$1,500 for the ten-month period of August 2022 through May 2023. This is with the expectation that one article is written each month.

Applicants for the Rapp Writing Internship must meet the following criteria:

- Be an 11th or 12th grade student at Rappahannock County High School
- Show a demonstrated interest in writing
- Be willing to interview school staff, students, community members, and others within RCES and RCHS for newsworthy stories that will be published in local media sources
- Be prepared to write and submit one written article per month
- Be exceptional writers who are able to provide samples of their writing for review and consideration as part of the application process
- Work with an adult mentor to support the writing of each article

Applicants should be students who have demonstrated the maturity and self-discipline to work independently to meet publication deadlines set by local news sources.

Application Process: Interested applicants should submit: (1) a cover letter detailing why they are interested in this internship; (2) two letters of recommendation from school staff members, one of which must be from someone familiar with their writing; and, (3) at least one recent sample of their writing. Published works or an essay written for a school assignment are acceptable.

Applications should be emailed to Brittany Dwyer at director@headwatersfdn.org. The deadline to submit an application for the Rapp Writing Internship is June 1, 2022. Selected candidates will be required to attend an in-person interview at the Headwaters office located in the Washington School on Mt. Salem Avenue in Washington, VA or at the Rappahannock County High School.