



PROJECT SAINT

AT SANTA FE COLLEGE IN GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA



Introduction

- SAINT stands for Student Access and Inclusion Together
- Program began in 2013 as a TPSID program
- Approved as an FPCTP in 2017
- Students are eligible for scholarships to support their education
- Every student in SAINT has his/her own student driven plan
- Myriad opportunities for academic, social, vocational, self-determination, and independent living goals
- Many supports, including special staffing
- Up to 15 enrollees in three pathways each year



Project SAINT is about Inclusion-
SAINTS are everywhere at SF with
everyone else



SAINTS enjoy our beautiful and unique campus



Santa Fe College Zoo, Planetarium, and Fine Arts Hall



View behind Adult Education building near sciences building.



SAINTS Make Pathway Choices



Two year exploratory pathway or one year entrepreneur pathways



They have professional credential options such as Safestaff Food Handling...



As well as

- First Aid/CPR
- Child Care Certification
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Customer Service
- Horticulture/Agriculture
- Artist/Entrepreneur



Artist Entrepreneurs and Horticulture Agriculture Entrepreneurs



And there are mini-credentials too

- Office and Computer Skills
- Self-Advocacy, Self-Care, Communication, and other Social Skills

And coming soon

- Driver's Permit instruction
- Zookeeper for a Day
- Greenhouse worker
- Safe Tool Handling instruction



SAINTS attend Classes of all kinds like Adult Education Life and Work Skills Class



Students listening to a presentation on banking and budgeting from a local bank representative.



They audit classes of interest alongside other SF students



Modern Dance Class and Criminology Class



And attend informative and interactive weekly Project SAINT workshops with mentors and presenters. The variety of topics include self-advocacy, self-care, and communication.



These days we work remotely or meet– for special events in safe ways!



SAINTS Receive Supports Like Mentorship (social and academic)



And students meet weekly with the
Project SAINT Job Developer, Beverly
Stoutamire



Other SAINT staff include Pat Stevens, Horticulture Specialist, here with a friend



And Mentor Coordinator, Krista Chipman

- Pictured here as a Koala since she is shy.



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SAINTS participate in all kinds of Internships



On and off campus



And find their heart's desires...



SAINTS Apply for and Obtain Jobs



Job Fair with Table Interviews; SAINT student employee of the month



Examples of SAINT Jobs and Placement Successes,

close to 90% placement rate within one year of graduation for 30 completers

- teacher's aide , students with disabilities
- chiropractic office assistant
- food porter/dishwasher at an assisted living facility
- food server and companion in an assistive living facility
- gardening associate at Home Depot
- food prep at Heavenly Ham
- recreation aide in a nursing home
- landscaper for a horticulture business
- research team associate at UF developing digital apps for youth with disabilities.



Students Become More Independent in So Many Ways



Including making great friends



And even attending conferences together (Hartwick Conference)



Want to learn more? Contacts

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Go SAINTS!

