



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

WORK BASED LEARNING EXPERIENCES

The information Technology Academy at East is The ITA program is a 4 year – 5 credit CTE program for students interested in any fields within the Information Technology Career Cluster: *Information Support and Services, Network Systems, Programming and Software Development Web and Digital Communications*. Throughout their four years in the ITA program, scholars may have access to these Work Based Learning (WBL) experiences:

Grade	IT Business	Involvement	Dates	Hours	WBL
9	Varies	Focus: Information Technology as a Career: Students observe and explore different IT companies through on site visits. During their visits, students keep a journal reflecting on their experiences. <i>Their main goal is to observe the various IT and IT Support careers available</i>	February March April May 4 visits in total	8.0	Work Experience & Career Exploration
10	Varies	Focus: Career Exploration Internships: The Career Exploration Internship Program is a school-business partnership initiative that provides high school students, age 14 and above, the opportunity to obtain non-paid, on-site, career exploration experiences. The focus of the program is meaningful, hands-on, career exploration rather than skill development. Students may earn ¼ to 1 unit of elective or CTE sequence credit.	10-12 week Exploration Experiences + a Project	30-40	CEIP Work Experience & Career Exploration
9-11	At East	Focus: Practicums Over the three years, all IT scholars can take part in: IT projects, Robotics, ImagineIT, and other IT based activities	Fall Winter Spring	20.0	WBL Work Experience Service Learning
12	Various	Focus: Co-Op/Internships: Students work with a specific IT professional in <i>paid</i> internship. <i>They will perform a variety of IT skills based on the company that they are working</i>	½ or Full Year	150	Internship (CO-OP) Paid Work Experience
TOTAL WBL HOURS				54** up to 200	**Must have 54 for CTE Endorsement