



# WELCOME

*Its going to be unique,  
and really fun!*

Dear Job-A-Palooza Partner,

Sometimes we just have to step outside the box of our daily routines and familiar activities in order to gain new prospective and achieve greater accomplishments. That is what The Arc Nature Coast's Job-A-Palooza is all about...

We are seeking a limited number of community businesses to partner with us for this one day event that will assist students with disabilities learn about work opportunities in our community and gain insight into their own potential to be a part of the future workforce.

Job-A-Palooza is a hands-on fast-paced event that will be highly engaging for employers, as well as for the participating students and their peer mentors. We expect this event to be highly informative for students with disabilities and equally beneficial for the peer mentors who will have an opportunity to develop some unique coaching and supervisory skills. Job-A-Palooza is all about developing critical knowledge, skill and character for all participants.

We also believe that this event will be very beneficial for businesses who employ, or are seeking to employ, individuals with disabilities in their workforce. Individuals with disabilities represent a significantly underutilized segment of the potential labor force. Job-A-Palooza will be a demonstration in action of the potential individuals with disabilities represent for employers.

So without any further adieu, this is your invitation to partner with The Arc Nature Coast on this unique event in our community. Enclosed is a business interest form to get started. If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Join us for Job-A-Palooza and ***Achieve with us!***

*Mark W. Barry*  
Executive Director  
**The Arc Nature Coast**  
(352) 544-2322 x103

This event is sponsored by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

***Achieve with us.***



# Event Description

**DATE:** Saturday, September 15, 2018  
**TIME:** 8:30am – 3:00pm  
**LOCATION:** The Arc Nature Coast, Education Center  
6495 Mariner Blvd, Spring Hill FL 34608  
**COST:** Free

This career exploration event is free to 14-21 year old students who have an IEP or 504 plan. Students will learn five job-related skills of their choice and will be matched with a peer mentor who will guide and cheer them on! All participants will have an opportunity to meet local employers interested in hiring quality workers now and in the future. Join us for a fun and educational day, as well as an opportunity to win some great prizes and awards.

The day will begin with a check-in period that will include matching up students with peer mentors who will work together during the event. Students will then complete a pre-event survey with their peer mentor and select five (5) simulated work activities from among about 18 different activities conducted by local employers. These activities will reflect some of the work related jobs of these local employers.

Students will then begin to work on completing each of their five selected activities with the assistance of their peer mentor. Each employer hosting an activity will evaluate each student's performance on the activity and provide written instructive feedback.

At the end of the event, there will be a brief ceremony to provide recognition and prizes to participants.

All participants will receive a complimentary lunch and Job-a-Palooza tee shirt.

For more information or to register online: [www.tancinc.org](http://www.tancinc.org)

Contact us at [info@tancinc.org](mailto:info@tancinc.org) or (352) 544-2322, ext. 109

This event is sponsored by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

*Achieve with us.*



# Agenda Schedule

**DATE:** Saturday, September 15, 2018  
**TIME:** 8:30am – 3:00pm  
**LOCATION:** The Arc Nature Coast, Education Center  
6495 Mariner Blvd, Spring Hill FL 34608  
**COST:** Free

---

## AGENDA:

**8:30am:** Check-In for students and mentor peers.  
Students and mentor peers matched.  
Students complete a pre-event survey.  
Students will select five work activities.

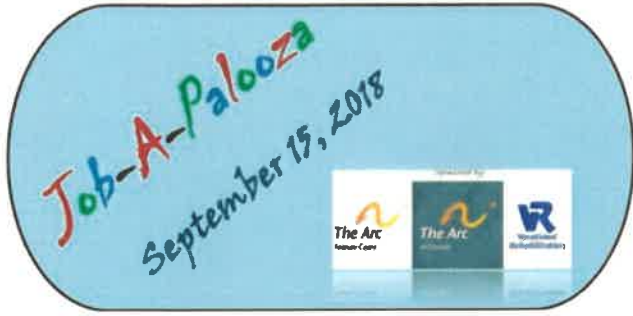
**10:00am – 2:00pm:** Work activities

**Noon – 1:30pm:** Lunch available, as students & peers are available during breaks between work activities.

**2:00pm:** Recognition Ceremony

This event is sponsored by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

*Achieve with us.®*



# Registration Form

Registration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student with Disability: \_\_\_\_\_ or Peer Mentor: \_\_\_\_\_ (check one)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size: S M L XL XXL (circle one)

Return this registration form to:  
The Arc Nature Coast  
5283 Neff Lake Road  
Brooksville, FL 34601

Or you can register online at:  
[www.tancinc.org](http://www.tancinc.org)

For more information: (352) 544-2322, ext. 109 or [info@tancinc.org](mailto:info@tancinc.org)

This event is sponsored by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

*Achieve with us.*



# Judging Score Sheet

Please choose the appropriate score for each item listed. Total them at the bottom and write comments to encourage the student. This sheet will be given to the student after the awards are distributed. **Scores for each rating category range from 1-10, with 10 being the highest individual rating. The highest possible TOTAL SCORE is 70.**

BUSINESS: \_\_\_\_\_ TASK: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TASK or ATTRIBUTE	SCORE
<b>Personal Engagement:</b> (greeting the judge, eye contact, appearance)	
<b>Productivity:</b> (How was the student's volume/quantity of work?)	
<b>Accuracy:</b> (Did the student correctly complete the task?)	
<b>Task Focus:</b> (To what degree did the student focus on the task?)	
<b>Task Technique:</b> (Did the student use a strategy or correctly follow steps for the task?)	
<b>Work Attitude:</b> (Was the student eager and enthusiastic while performing the task?)	
<b>Work Independence:</b> (To what extent was the student able to perform the task without assistance from the peer mentor?)	
<b>TOTAL SCORE:</b>	

Comments for Student: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Representative:**

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

This event is sponsored by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

*Achieve with us.*



# Business Interest Form

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Task for Job-A-Palooza: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Would you contact The Arc in the future if you had available jobs that might be of interest to our clients: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Business Rep Signature

Date

Return this form to:  
The Arc Nature Coast  
5283 Neff Lake Road  
Brooksville, FL 34601  
Or email to: [info@tancinc.org](mailto:info@tancinc.org)  
Questions: (352) 544-2322, ext. 109

This event is sponsored by the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

*Achieve with us.*