

## Capital Projects & EFMP Update Meeting | June 11, 2024 Questions & Answers

Will there be a process in place for students in the CTE programs to work on and gain work experience? If not, why not? How can school officials allow this amount of construction to go without some sort of pre-apprenticeship program and hire contractors that have registered apprenticeship programs with the State of Maryland?

There are apprenticeship programs in place that are usually done through the Department of Building Services. It is tricky to align the academic school year with when our projects will need masonry for a student learning those skills. There are also risk and insurance issues, so it has been hard to capitalize on these types of projects in their schedules. The program has been handled by our facility maintenance team. One of the priorities under the blueprint is to expand our apprenticeship opportunities across the school district, and the superintendent supports that. Throughout the operations division, we will seek to bolster apprenticeship opportunities for students beyond Building Services, including other departments.