

# **School To Work**

Attending college is similar to being employed. Success on the job is achieved only with hard work and effort. This is also true in college.

Your employer expects you to be on the job every day, be on time, and prepared to work each day. You are allowed only a specific number of sick days each year, after which your pay is "docked". This is also true in Automotive Classes. Regular and prompt attendance is essential, and your "sick" days are limited (see syllabus). Excessive absences will result in a loss of "pay" (grade).

Meetings are an essential part of the workplace, and everyone is expected to attend regularly and contribute to the discussion. If you miss an excessive number of meetings and/or do not share vital information, your employment success is in jeopardy. The same holds true for this class. You are not only expected to attend all of our "meetings," but you are expected to contribute to our discussion and analysis of issues. This requires that you come to each class prepared to discuss the assigned material. Failure to do so will put your success in jeopardy and can result in a reduction of your "salary" (grade) (10%).

Your employer requires you to finish all jobs on time. Failure to do so will endanger your employer's business and your success. The same is true for this class. All "jobs" (test and lab sheets) are due at the scheduled time (see syllabus). If for a justified reason you will not be able to meet the time schedule you must notify me just as you would contact your employer if you need an extension. However, as in the workplace, such extensions do not come without a cost. Extensions result in a decrease in your "salary" (grade).

Performance reviews occur periodically in the workplace and your employer determines the degree of your success during these reviews. This is the case in this class. The "performance reviews" for this class are quizzes, exams, and lab sheets (see syllabus). These reviews require you to show not only knowledge of the material, but also your ability to use this knowledge in real world situations. Your "pay" (grade) depends upon the magnitude of your performance.

If you attend class regularly, participate in class discussion, and submit all material well-prepared and in a timely fashion you have the potential to excel in this class. I am looking forward to working with you and learning with you. I am always available if you need assistance.

**WELCOME AND GOOD LUCK!**