

Press Release

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Entrepreneur and West Valley business owner, Shelley Bade has found a way to benefit her company while capitalizing on the talents of local high school students and providing them with unbeatable opportunities to learn valuable business skills.

Bade has engaged Jackie Winget, a senior at Sunrise Mountain High School, who will work and learn at Bade's company, SL Bade & Associates, a commercial real estate firm that specializes in West Valley properties. While providing much-needed assistance to Bade and her staff, Winget will learn about contemporary business culture and the commercial real estate industry in an authentic learning environment: a working office setting.

Bade looks forward to inspiring Winget and other West Valley youth. "I've always sought ways to provide educational opportunities to students in our community," she says. "I want to share the entrepreneurial spirit with a new generation."

Winget and others who serve as interns in local businesses have much to gain. In addition to real-life, hands-on learning, students gain tremendous resume-building experiences that help them in the increasingly competitive world of workforce and college applications. "These types of experiences can open doors for kids in terms of jobs or scholarships," says Mary Ann Berens, Intern Coordinator at

Centennial High School. “Our intern program gives kids access to mentors in the community and other learning opportunities that we just can’t duplicate in the classroom.”

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