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Why Your Kids Should Be Working This Summer

If you want your kid to grow to be successful, make them get a part-time job this summer, new research suggests.

By developing early knowledge of the working world, teens are more likely to find good employment and earn more money in the future, according to a study from the University of British Columbia Sauder School of Business.

The researchers discovered that teens in part-time jobs progress to better-suited careers since the early exposure to work helps them hone their preferences. Additionally, they improve their soft skills, acquire better references and learn how to job hunt more successfully, which helps them establish a wider career network.

The researchers came to their conclusions after analyzing data from a survey of Canadian teenagers. The survey looked at the teenagers' work history, starting at age 15 in 1999 and ending at age 25 in 2009.

"Adolescent labor has been stigmatized as exploitative, with many parents opting to put their kids in summer camp rather than summer jobs," Seidel said. "However, our research shows that working can offer educational and developmental opportunities that prepare adolescents for the real world."

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