Garret Hardy is a graduating senior on a quest to become an ace welder, and was accepted by Reynolds Ranch and Farm Supply to hone his employment skills. Paul and Kit Reynolds, owners of Reynolds Ranch and Farm Supply, have always found a way to give back to the community, part of which is taking the time to help our students in a positive and productive way. They understand what it takes to become an honest and reliable employee, and use their business as a showcase to help us educate and guide students in the WorkAbility I program.

Jeff Bloxham, lead supervisor, has taken Garret under his wing. He has taught him about respect, attention to the needs of their customers, the importance of being on time, and jumping into each day with a smile. These particular qualities a student can't acquire just by reading a book, but by being out there in the trenches. Thank you Reynolds Ranch and Farm Supply for "supplying" our students with the best!

Tuolumne County SELPA

"HERE'S THE SCOOP"...
IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE!

Here's the Scoop is a locally owned ice cream shop that offers many different ice creams, as well as, nostalgic candy. Additionally, they offer hot soups, baked goods, and cake making supplies.

Mari attends Tioga High School in Groveland, California. She started at Here's the Scoop as extra help in cleaning the store and organizing the amazing products produced on site. She quickly climbed the ladder and is now an assistant to Nan with baking all of the homemade goods that they have to offer. From this experience, Mari and Nan have started a wonderful working friendship.

Thank you Nan and staff for supporting the WorkAbility I Program and providing a safe and happy learning environment.

Sonoma County Office of Education

PARTNERSHIP IN PETALUMA

Nicholas Rainwater is a 19 year old student in the Sonoma County Office of Education's Transition Program for 18-22 year old adults with disabilities. He has been a student with the WorkAbility I Program since August 2016.

Nicholas is currently employed in the kitchen at Petaluma Valley Hospital. He performs his job tasks responsibly and with grace. Hospital kitchen staff really enjoy working with him. Nutrition Services Supervisor, Cathy Gonzalez, says, "He's an excellent worker, learns quickly, does a thorough job, and is very helpful. He is really awesome!" Stephanie Bodi, Patient Relations and Volunteer Services Manager stated, "Nicholas is such a kind soul. He has done such a remarkable job in our Nutrition Services Department. The staff love him and he has become such a wonderful part of the Petaluma Valley Hospital's family."

Nicholas shows up for work every day prepared to work and support his team. He is thriving in his position, which is made possible through partnership with WorkAbility I and Petaluma Valley Hospital.

Elk Grove Unified School District

TEAMING UP WITH "THE SPORTS SHOP"

One of WorkAbility I's newest business partners is The Sports Shop. The Sports Shop has been in the Elk Grove area for 39 years supplying sports teams in the community with uniforms, silk screening services, trophies, school jackets, and sweaters.

Hunter Magee, a senior at Elk Grove High School, joined their team through the WorkAbility I Program and has received training and experience. Hunter re-stocks merchandise, assists in sorting the lettering for team shirt orders, and general janitorial needs within the business. Hunter enjoys learning all the different aspects of what they do in this business. WorkAbility I and Hunter are happy to add The Sports Shop to its list of business partners.