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DCFS “FIND YOUR FUTURE” INTERNSHIP FACT SHEET

- The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services cares for nearly 700 students enrolled in two- and four-year colleges throughout the nation. Currently there are an estimated 18,000 children, adolescents and young adults in the state’s child welfare system.
- Over 100 students applied for first-time summer internship called “Find Your Future”
- Thirty students have been matched with employers throughout Chicagoland and will be working full-time as paid interns.
- Internships began in early June and will run through mid August
- Orientation is being held on June 6 at the Thompson Center
- During their internships, students will also experience mentoring opportunities plus recreational and social outings
- To further support the future careers of students, DCFS awards 48 scholarships annually

THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYERS ARE AMONG THOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE “FIND YOUR FUTURE” INTERNSHIP THIS SUMMER:

Chicago Public Schools	DCFS	Sen. Dick Durbin’s office
Winston & Strawn	Juvenile Court	WGN
Tribune Company	WTTW	CLTV
Meckler Bulger & Tilson	Mercy Home	Lawrence Hall
Univ. of Chicago Hospitals	Nuveen Investments	Seyfarth & Shaw
Northwestern Medical School		

THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES ARE AMONG THOSE WHERE DCFS “FIND YOUR FUTURE” INTERNS ARE ENROLLED:

Eastern Illinois University	Harold Washington College
Malcolm X College	University of Illinois
Southern Illinois University – Carbondale and Edwardsville	Western Illinois University
Yale University	Northern Illinois University
Illinois State University	Fisk University
Richard J. Daley College	Lewis University

For more information about the “Find Your Future” internship program, contact Sujata Bhat at DCFS, 312-814-6831, or e-mail sbhat@idcfs.state.il.us.

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