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**KPBSD  
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I'm Phillip and my first rotation in Project SEARCH is Maintenance which is where all the equipment and gears are located. I have been learning two things in maintenance: Doing rounds and Repairing or replacing equipment. Doing rounds is checking that all the equipment is working right. I read gauges and input the results into an iPad software program. I also help the Maintenance crew repair or replace equipment. My favorite part of rotation so far is doing rounds; it is simple enough but not boring like a computer job. I hope to get a better understanding of how equipment and processes work.



I'm Justin Mason and I'm in my first rotation. It is in Dietary with Patty, Dustin, Linda, and Lorenzo. I'm learning how to make pizzas and sandwiches fast, then to use my time to get extra prep work done. I am learning how to read and follow a recipe while preparing soup. My favorite part of Dietary is being in a good work environment with nice coworkers that will lend a hand with teaching me new skills. I hope to gain a lot of good food habits working in the kitchen.



My name is Michael and my first rotation is Day Surgery. The two things that I am learning in Day Surgery are cleaning and stocking. My favorite part about my rotation is cleaning the rooms for the patients. I am willing to improve my cleaning skills.

My name is Gracie Satterwhite and I started a rotation in laundry two weeks ago. The people are really nice to me. There are a large number of items to fold. I like helping and folding the items. I get to use a folding machine named "Sparky". He folds pillow-cases, sheets and towels. My favorite thing about laundry is hand folding the laundry. In laundry, I want to learn how to do a task right the first time.

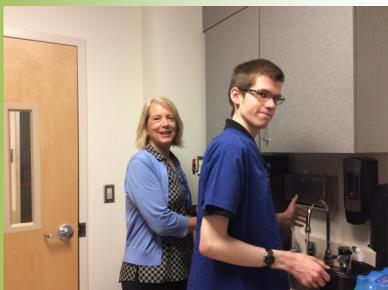
I'm Ian, and I'm working through my first rotation at the hospital in the transportation department. The transport department is responsible for moving large quantities of items, mostly linen (clean or otherwise), from one location within the hospital to another. I have two amazing mentors, Misty and Shelly. We also collect trash and dispose of biohazards so they may be shipped out and disintegrated. On this rotation I'm learning to build my stamina; walking in transport (averaging 9 miles in only 4 hours), and improve my organizational skills by learning how to sort linen to maximize our transporting capacity. My favorite part of transport is that I'm always moving and seeing new areas of the hospital and interacting with their staff. This hospital is full of wonderful people who are always welcoming and happy to lend a hand. Before this rotation is over I hope to develop a better sense of prioritization and the can do attitude exhibited by many of the hospitals' employees.

**Our mentors are all amazing!**

# October 2016

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It is with heavy hearts we are saying 'Goodbye' to Liz Cristiano, Job Coach. She is retiring effective October 3rd. She has been with the KPBSD Project SEARCH program since its' inception five years ago. The program would not be where it is today without her. We wish her the best as she moves into the next phase of her life.



Retirement Well Wishes

To schedule a tour contact:

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## Project SEARCH 2016 Mentor Appreciation Day

Mentor Appreciation Day was held September 27 from 7:30am to 8:30am. Donuts and coffee were served by the interns.

**Magnets** were presented to all departments that have hosted an intern.

**Certificates** for the new mentors for Project SEARCH this past year were given out.

**Pins** will be given to mentors in the departments that have hosted interns five or more rotations since inception.

22 New Mentors since Mentor Appreciation Day held last year

75 Total Mentors since inception

6 New Departments in last year

16 Departments since inception

3 Departments have hosted interns five or more rotations since inception

### New Departments in last year:

Maintenance

Transporter

H.I.M.

Day Surgery

Respiratory Therapy

Human Resources

**Departments that have hosted interns five or more rotations since inception. These departments are receiving Project SEARCH pins for the individual mentors:**

Laundry (6 Rotations)

Housekeeping (6 Rotations)

Dietary (8 Rotations)

**All Departments that have hosted one or more interns, not already listed:**

Behavioral Health          Heritage Place

Materials Management    Imaging

Security                      Patient Financial Systems

Med Surg                     Volunteer

