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## Summit County Department of Job and Family Services Partnering with LeBron James Family Foundation's I Promise School

The Summit County Department of Job and Family Services (SCDJFS) and the LeBron James Family Foundation's I Promise School are collaborating to provide a team approach in assisting families and youth with job placement opportunities.

SCDJFS worked with I Promise in May of this year to identify youth for Summit County's Summer Youth Employment Program. SCDJFS and their contracted provider, Tri-County Jobs for Ohio's Graduates, worked directly with I Promise to successfully employ 18 youth, aged 14 and 15, who are members of families enrolled in the I Promise School, and aligned the employment with the values and goals of these youth and their families.

"The LeBron James Family Foundation's I Promise School provides great value to Summit County youth as well as the community," said Summit County Executive Ilene Shapiro. "Our Department of Job and Family Services was proud to partner with I Promise to collaboratively strengthen efforts to provide youth with job opportunities that will put them on a path to success."

Additionally, a SCDJFS case manager will be on-site at the I Promise school opening on July 30, 2018, to provide wrap-around services to families in I Promise. The goal is to provide a one-stop location to assist families in need and foster stronger communication and facilitation of services with SCDJFS through the on-site worker. The case manager will initially be on-site at I Promise

2.5 days per week, and will assist families in answering questions relating to any benefits received through SCDJFS as well as completing applications and connecting them with valuable job opportunities and services through the Ohio Means Jobs Center.

For more information:

http://www.lebronjamesfamilyfoundation.org/page/ipromiseschool

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