

If the prospect of making your own money appeals to you, you may want to consider taking your first step into the workforce.

## FINDING A JOB

Not everyone wants to go straight to university after high school. If you're keen to start earning an income, there are plenty of resources that can help you find that first job. The Queensland Government has resources to help you find job vacancies (including using social media), write your resume and cover letter, and prepare for interviews. Learn more at qld.gov.au/jobs/finding.

## START YOUR CAREER WHILE YOU'RE STILL AT SCHOOL

If you have your sights set on work, there's no need to wait until you graduate to get started. A school-based apprenticeship or traineeship will allow you to start gaining experience and earning while you complete high school. You'll need to gain approval from your school. Your school, employer and training organisation will then work together to create your training schedule that can work with your school timetable. Learn more about school-based apprenticeships and traineeships at desbt.qld.gov.au/training/apprentices/sats.

## GET A QUALIFICATION WHILE YOU'RE STILL AT SCHOOL

Did you know that even entry-level jobs require you to have some level of qualifications and/or training? A qualification will help you stand out from the crowd, and give you a competitive edge in the job market. The good news is you can get a qualification while you're still at school through the TAFE at School program. TAFE at School courses are available to Year 10, 11 and 12 students and work in with your existing high school studies. This allows you to get a TAFE qualification while you complete your high school studies. Visit tafeqld.edu.au/courses/waysyou-can-study/tafe-at-school.html?