What is an Australian School Based Apprenticeship (ASBA)?

ASBA’s allow senior secondary students to combine training and work in an industry area to achieve a nationally recognised vocational qualification that contributes their final secondary qualification.

Features of ASBA’s are:
- Attendance at school and work (8 hours per week minimum at work)
- A training agreement which links to an industrial award
- Attainment of a senior secondary qualification (e.g. SACE, VCE, [Qld]Senior Certificate etc) and a vocational education and training qualification
- Access to a wide variety of vocations provided applicable awards have been varied to accommodate part-time hours

Who is involved in an ASBA

Student:
- Must be committed to work and study in order to obtain qualification
- Must fulfil all obligations as defined on the Contract of Training
- Must meet with the regional Apprenticeship Broker and complete an Australian School Based Apprenticeship enrolment form with the school (Must be obtained from the VET Coordinator)

Employer:
- Needs to be flexible with working hours, provide adequate training and supervision, fulfil obligations as defined on the Contract and negotiate Training Plan with RTO upfront

Registered Training Organisation (RTO):
- Delivers competency-based training in accordance with the Negotiated Training Plan

School Principals, Careers Advisors & Teachers:
- Must endorse the Australian School Based Apprenticeship and make the student aware of all the implications of signing the contract of training.

Parents/Guardians:
- Must agree to terms and conditions and co-sign the Contract of Training if the student is less than 18 years old

If further information is required about Australian School Based Apprenticeships, please contact the VET Manager at your school Deb Scotton on 8556 8219 or the Apprenticeship Broker on 8329 9777 Mob 0400 275 395