

Prepare your students for their future careers!

The Career Exploration Expo is your opportunity to inspire students to pursue careers in relevant fields.

Career Exploration Expo

Tandeski Center - Southeast Technical

Wednesday,

November 16th

10am - 3pm

Help students prepare for the next step:

This event features many local businesses in a variety of fields. Students are exposed to a variety of hands-on job skills.

2015 business participants:

- Alliant Castings
- Anova
- Bay State Milling Company
- Benchmark Electronics
- Celanese
- Cytec Engineered Materials
- Dahl Automotive
- Fastenal
- Ferrara Candy Company
- HBC, Inc.
- Hoff Celebration of Life
- Hy-Vee, Inc.
- J. R. Watkins
- Leighton Broadcasting
- Miller Ingenuity
- Mississippi Welders Supply
- MN State College - SE Tech
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- Options Plus Home Health Care
- Peerless Industrial Group
- Pelaez Creative LLC
- Pet Medical Center
- Reinarts Stained Glass
- RiverStar/RiverSide
- RTP Company
- Saint Anne of Winona
- Saint Mary's University
- Sauer Health Care
- Thern, Inc.
- TRW
- US Fish and Wildlife
- Watlow
- Wells Fargo
- WinCraft Incorporated
- Winona Area Public Schools
- Winona County DAC
- Winona Fire Department
- Winona Health
- Winona ORC Industries, Inc.
- Winona Police Department
- Winona State University
- Winona State University Entrepreneur Booth
- WS Packaging



The Winona Area Public Schools, and the Business Partners of Winona will again be partnering to offer opportunities for students, teachers, and businesses to build partnerships that will enhance students' experiences, provide more knowledgeable future employees and consumers, and build bridges of understanding and positive working relationships between the business and education community. It is a tremendous opportunity that successful businesses get to showcase their industries and cultivate interest among our students for a future job force.

-Stephen D. West, Ed.D. Superintendent, Winona Area Public Schools

Classroom Teacher Ideas

Any class

- Research and write about a chosen career, including salaries, availability of jobs in the field, and educational requirements. Make lifestyle charts based on chosen career showing where they would live, whether they'd rent or own a house, where they'd go on vacation, etc.
- Issue each student a "salary" packet, complete with fake checks and credit cards to pay bills, insurance, utilities, rent and emergencies & throughout the class students can get paid & be required to pay bills.
- Scavenger hunt for certain things at job fair

Computer Apps/Keyboarding

- Research a career and create a powerpoint to share with others about it.
- Create a spreadsheet using formulas and budget information based on student preference regarding dream job of & create a budget to go along with the information
- Create job ads for a newspaper

English

- Incorporate Martin Luther King's "I Have Dream" speech and lead students to finding out what their dreams are and having them research how to accomplish them.
- Use it as a springboard to show students how to research and find statistics online from valid websites.
- Resume writing, letter writing, & job interviewing skills/communication skills
- Job Shadow Project
- Have student research a job they are interested in and have them write a job description for it including schooling, classes required, personality & skill traits

Math

- Students can take the information and turn it into a pie chart or bar graph and/or figure out a budget to see what they would earn in a particular job
- Find median of salaries, home prices, college costs
- Have students figure out how long it would take them to pay off the college debt for the college & job of their dreams

Science

- Research how new technology & science discoveries affect the job market.
- Have students think of their favorite food or item. Discuss or research the science technology that is behind each item. Students can do this to think of different careers in science.

Social Studies

- Discuss why different jobs get paid differently & require different education, why some jobs are being phased out & others coming, the impact of new jobs on society. Maybe discussion as to why some jobs are growing.
- Discuss impact of Industrial Revolution on jobs & if we have had any sort of "job" revolutions recently. Technology, computers, nanotechnology, etc.
- Have students research a career and find the history of it. How did it start? What have been the changes in the field, etc.

Website for ideas & resources

- <http://www.learningforlife.org/wp-content/documents/Career-Exploration-Lessons-for-Sixth-and-Seventh-Grades.pdf>
- <http://www.collegecareerlifeplanning.com/Documents/6%20Teacher%20Resources/a%20Tools%20to%20Motivate/Ideas%20for%20In-Class%20Activities.pdf>
- <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/cte/cdlearn/documents/CDOS-Inter-CareerandUniversal.pdf>