



KEC Career & Technical Education



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Support Local Students

Students in the KEC member district Career and Technical Education programs develop technical, academic, and employability skills aligned to the career clusters listed below. Partnerships between local businesses and industry improve the quality and relevance of programs while connecting students to the world of work.

Benefits to businesses for engaging schools and students include: developing more robust talent pipelines, accessing a diverse and innovative labor pool, earning a reputation for being a great place to work, and boosting business prospects. (Source: JFF, Benefits of Work-Based Learning)



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Distribution and Logistics, Energy

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Business Partnership Opportunities

Whether you have the resources to create paid internships for students, or can spare a few minutes to have a conversation with a student, KEC schools can use your expertise.

Partnership Opportunity	Description	Level of Commitment
Career Fair	Host a table or booth at a middle or high school career fair.	Full day
Guest Speaking	Guest speaking in a middle or high school classroom about your career and industry. Virtual and in-person opportunities available.	One hour per guest speaking opportunity
Company Tours	Host a virtual field trip via video conferencing or host a field trip to your business (post-COVID).	Full day
Business Advisory	Meet once or twice annually with the program teacher and administrator along with other industry professionals from the field to review curriculum and ensure alignment of skills and knowledge to industry expectations.	One to two hour meeting
Mock Interview	Once a year, mock interview students as if you were an employer hiring for an entry-level position and the student was applying for that position.	Half day (three hours) or full day (six hours)
Team-Based Challenge	Design a team-based challenge. Define a problem from your industry that teams of students can solve using skills and knowledge from their CTE program.	Two to three hour commitment
Mentor	Serve as a mentor during a team-based challenge. Over the course of 6-12 weeks, provide support, advice, and mentorship to student teams completing a team-based challenge.	Six hours of contact spread across the weeks of the challenge
Job Shadow	Host a job shadow student in your place of business.	Half day (three hours) or full day (six hours)
Internship (Career Development Experience)	Host a work-based learning experience (Career Development Experience) that is paid or unpaid.	Minimum of 60 hours of placement for the student

Get Involved Today!

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