



CAREER CONNECTIONS

For the community, by the community

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

What is Career Connections?

Career Connections provides tenth grade students an opportunity to invest in their futures. Students will explore a variety of career options and meet the people who perform these jobs on a daily basis. In turn, business people have a chance to share their careers and their expertise with our future leaders— thousands of curious and inquisitive tenth graders.

Who?

Businesses from every industry are invited to share their knowledge and experience with the students. Interactive, hands-on displays are encouraged as well as literature describing the various careers available.

How Can You Invest in the Future?

Career Connections is an exciting way for business and community agencies to support education and make an investment in tomorrow. Together, businesses and schools will reinforce the importance of mastering the basic skills and help students remain motivated about learning. The tenth graders will learn the importance of staying in school and explore the world of work.

Through classroom exercises before and following the event, students will focus on why the business role models like their jobs, what skills are needed to perform these jobs, and the necessary education and training for each career field.

What is the Reality Store?

Career Connections will feature a Reality Store— an exhibit area where students are able to select a home, transportation, and other needs for daily living. The costs of food, financing, utilities, medical care, child care, and insurance are explored. Students begin to become aware of the realities of living expense and the link between the choices they make regarding education, vocational and career decisions.

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AN INTERACTIVE 10TH GRADE CAREER EXPO

MISSION:

To raise the standard of living and quality of life for the citizens of Lafayette, Iberia, St. Martin, and Vermilion parishes by providing life skills and career awareness opportunities to tenth grade students, while benefitting business and industry by creating our future workforce.

GOALS:

- To create the future, educated workforce that has a good awareness of
- career-related choices.
- To develop a partnership between educators, business and industry, and the
- community as a whole to ensure a high-quality workforce.
- To help students realize the connection between educational choices and future
- lifestyles.
- To provide career awareness for tenth graders in Lafayette, Iberia, St. Martin,
- and Vermilion parishes.
- To provide an opportunity for students and professionals from a variety of
- career areas to interact.
- To help students identify and explore career interests and abilities.
- To demonstrate the relevance of school academics to workplace skills.
- To show students the benefits of staying in school and completing their education

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