

career connections

Preparing young people to succeed in the workplace requires partnering with local schools and engaging in career readiness conversations. Strengthen your partnerships by building Career Connections in your community using these examples.

GRADES K-5*

Team up with your school district to host a career day or an evening event for the community to learn more about various businesses, organizations and jobs across the community.

Offer classroom presentations that show young people how the skills and knowledge they are learning now are applied throughout the workplace.

Host field trips where students visit your workplace and learn about the various jobs through interviews or mini presentations from employees across your company—representing varying levels of education, skill and knowledge.

GRADES 6-8

Team up with teachers from your local schools to create an authentic project where students apply the skills and knowledge learned in the classroom to solving a real-work problem.

Partner with your local schools to coordinate a community service project that involves several businesses and organizations. Allow students to lead the planning and organizing for the project.

Host students at your workplace for a day where they will learn about the jobs and explore major areas of your company.

GRADES 9-12

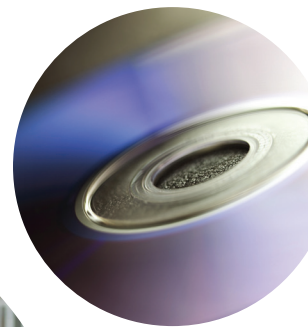
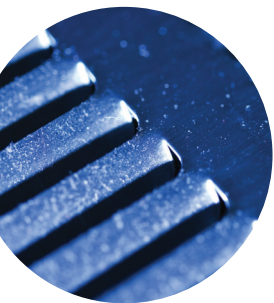
Post job openings and internship opportunities for your company or organization on OhioMeansJobs.com.

Coordinate a long-term mentorship program that offers students enrichment opportunities such as work-ready skills, career exploration and college access.

Host a student intern to build work experience and promote community partnerships.

Collaborate with your local schools to design a co-op program for students in high school.

Serve on an advisory board for your school district where you can inform classroom curriculum that prepares students to enter the workplace with the skills and knowledge necessary to be successful.



**Examples for K-5 are also helpful across Grades 6-8 and 9-12.*