

Community Example: Skokie Elementary

Community Career Nights

Description of a career exploration event in Skokie Elementary District #69 to highlight career pathways aligned to high school programs and Oakton Community College through hands-on activities.



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Attachments

1. Community Career Nights Career Exploration Template



Career Exploration: Community Career Nights

OVERVIEW		
Title of Event	Skokie Elementary District #69 – Community Career Nights	
Type of Activity <i>(job shadow, guest speaker, career fair, site visit, etc.)</i>	Community Career Night	
Model for Delivery <i>(virtual, hybrid, in-person)</i>	In-person	
Industry Partner(s)	Oakton Community College, High school partners - CTE staff, CTE students, and CTSO participants	
Endorsement Area(s)	Agriculture, Health Sciences, Human and Public Services, Information Technology, Manufacturing/Engineering, Arts & Communication, and Finance & Business	
Occupations Represented	Various based on pathways represented	
Brief Event Description <i>(include any links to resources and materials as you are able)</i>	Highlight career pathways aligned to high school programs and Oakton Community College through hands-on activities highlight the necessary technical skills required in that profession. Elementary students and their families will receive Career Pathways Guide sheets to outline the courses a student should take in high school and community college. High school CTE students and CTSO members will assist the high school CTE teachers running the hands-on activities with elementary students and families.	
Preparation Activities before the Event <i>(include any links to resources and materials as you are able)</i>	For Participants	For Partners
		Elementary, high school, and college partners collaborate on simplified Career Pathway Guide sheets for use at the event
Reflection/Follow-up Activities after the Event <i>(include any links to resources and materials as you are able)</i>	Rising 9 th graders will successfully choose high school courses aligned to their career area of interest	

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