

Summary of Opportunities for Employers and Post-secondary Partners, 2020-2021



Many of our business and post-secondary partners want to work with schools this year. But they have told us they're uncertain how to do so and are seeking our help because the pandemic limits access to school buildings and much school programming is taking place online. To address their needs, we've assembled a menu of options. All are virtual, and all are designed not only to support career learning for students, but also to help our employer and post-secondary partners meet objectives important to them as well.

The Consortium can serve as facilitator or host for many of these opportunities. Businesses and post-secondary institutions may also want to serve as a host. We are happy to work with you to develop something that meets your needs and supports student future readiness. For more information on any of these opportunities, please contact Debbie Pixton at dpixton@tcfpe.org or Gina Barrett at gbarrett@tcfpe.org.

Benefits to Employers

- Showcase core, emerging, or high-demand employment needs
- Invest in regional workforce development and show students the economic promise and opportunities our region offers
- Seek feedback and fresh perspectives from students

Benefits to Post-secondary

- Expose prospective applicants to their academic programs and the resources they offer
- Explain their admission processes to students who want to explore post-secondary options
- Ensure that prospective applicants are better prepared for their post-secondary experience

Opportunities

Virtual Career Mentoring

Connect with students in facilitated small groups to provide information about careers and career pathways of the professional and field questions that students have. Professionals need to be able to commit to two or three, one-hour virtual sessions over several weeks. At least one Consortium staff person and an educator would also be present and assist with the facilitation of the session.

Speed Networking

Engage with small groups of students conducting rotating interviews, responding to career and industry-related questions.

Snack and Learn

Grab a snack if you wish and share with a group of students about your career, industry, or institutions. Topics can include tips and tricks for entering your industry or being admitted to your institution. Or, you can focus on questions to consider before choosing this career path; convey how your passion fits or complements your career; or how an interest or passion might fit into life at a post-secondary institution.

Virtual Site Presentation, Demonstration, or Visit

Provide a virtual site presentation, demonstration, or visit. These opportunities allow students to develop an understanding of what working in a particular industry or sector is like or can showcase something of particular interest. Talk to us to explore possibilities.

Share Your Own Opportunities

Do you host a virtual open house? Do you offer a webinar on your apprenticeship program? Let us know! We may be able to direct your opportunity to students in our region, depending on timing and target audience.