

Panelists and Facilitators Needed for One Day Event!

Join us for an exciting morning of networking, learning, and connecting with RPS students!
Wednesday, August 30th, 2017 from 9am - 11:30am at Discovery Center's Kresge Hall



We are thrilled to welcome Mayor Tom McNamara and Rockford Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Ehren Jarrett as our keynote speakers who will set the stage for learning for our 12th grade Capstone students as they begin a year of authentic research and problem-solving.

Alignment Rockford's Career Awareness team is seeking individuals to help students brainstorm ideas to select their Senior Capstone project. Students are required to complete a project on a topic related to their College and Career Academy.

Panelists:

We are looking for 2-3 panelists for each Academy to follow the keynote and participate in a panel discussion and Q & A. Panelists would be asked to provide a brief bio and present to students on the following topics:

- What is your core business?
- What are the most pressing challenges or problems your business is currently facing?
- How would a solution help your business and/or community?
- What solutions have you already tried? Why didn't they work?

Facilitators:

We are looking for 20-25 facilitators to lead breakout discussions with small groups of students following the panelist discussions. Talking points for the table discussions will be provided.

****Panelists and table facilitators will ideally represent the careers aligned with each of our Academies:***

HPS stands for Human and Public Services. Pathways include Education and Child Development, Land and Resource Management, Law and Public Safety, Human Services, Performance Production, and Performing Arts.

BAMIT stands for Business, Arts, Modern World Languages, and Information Technology. Pathways include Business, Accounting/Finance, Graphic Design/Media Production, Modern World Languages, Information Technology, and Studio Arts.

EMITT stands for Engineering, Manufacturing, Industrial and Trades Technology. EMITT career pathways include Architecture and Construction, Engineering, Manufacturing Operations, Skilled Trades, and Transportation Technology.

HS stands for Health Sciences Pathways include Fitness and Wellness, Health Care Associate, and Medical and Health Sciences.

The Capstone project is an opportunity for students to identify a personal academic/professional topic aligned with their Academy and for which they perceive a need for continued research and development. The course requires students to explore an area of interest and conduct authentic research, better preparing them for college and career pursuits, and allowing them to connect academic skills with a real-world need or problem.

To sign up as a panelist or group facilitator [click here](#) or for more information contact Alignment Rockford's Community Engagement Coordinator, Katy Haun, at: katy@alignmentrockford.com