

Business Partner Opportunities: Work-Based Learning

The Coachella Valley Economic Partnership's (CVEP) Work-Based Learning Programs use the power of workplace relevance and established business relationships to excite students about what they are learning as well as to prepare them for careers and for post secondary studies.

Our Mission is to advance an educated workforce for a thriving local economy.

Who Can Get Involved?

Local business, non-profit organization and community members.

Why Should I Partner?

- Together we can align efforts to help students reach proficiency by designing skills and knowledge students need to be successful in the workplace.
- Businesses can share innovations by providing resources that help schools educate students more effectively.
- Together, we can develop policies that encourage employees to be engaged in classrooms as skill-based volunteers.
- Businesses will assist in development of their future workforce.



What Opportunities Exist?

- Provide Internships for High Schools and/or College students
- Host Job Shadow Days
- Create a Scholarship
- Become a Mentor for a High School or College Student
- Host Teachers for Faculty Externships at your Business



- Participate in Professional Interview Days at local High Schools
- Become a Guest Speaker in a Classroom
- Host a Field Trip to Your Site through Career Explorations programs
- Serve as a Member of an Industry Council
- Provide Technical Advice/Assistance to Teachers and Students
- Provide Donations of Supplies and Materials for Classroom



_____ **Provide Internships for Students:** You will provide students work experience by offering a paid or unpaid training experience to high school seniors and/or college students throughout the year.

_____ **Participate in Job Shadow Days:** You will allow students to come to your work site one day a year to shadow employees in different jobs.

_____ **Create/Support Scholarships:** Your company/organization will participate in CVEP's Pathways to Success scholarship program as a matching partner to help Coachella Valley students get to and through college.

_____ **Be a Mentor to High School Students:** In their sophomore and junior years, high school students spend time one-on-one or in small groups learning about careers from a mentor in programs like "Lunchtime Learners".

_____ **Mentor a College Student / MAS – Mentors Advising Students:** MAS partners meet with college students once or twice a month to support them in their college studies and career exploration.

_____ **Share your Story / Classroom Guest Speakers and Professional Interview Days:** Talk with a class about your profession or meet with high school freshmen and sophomore students in small groups to answer questions about how you prepared for your career and what you do at work.

_____ **Host Faculty Externship Experiences:** You will host a teacher for up to one week to allow a first-hand understanding about how your company works. The teacher will then take that experience back to the classroom to share with students.

_____ **Host Career Exploration Programs:** Introduce students to your company and the people/careers at your site by hosting a tour of your company.

_____ **Serve as a Member of an Industry Council:** Attend 2-8 meetings per year to provide input about what should be taught in classes, what equipment should be used and current job/skill demands.

_____ **Provide Donations of Supplies and Materials for Classrooms:** New or "used" supplies provide students "hands on" activities to train on equipment they will use in future jobs in your industry sector.

_____ **Technical Advice/Assistance to Teachers and Students:** Teachers need help with the best software or hardware integration of technology into their programs.



Yes! I'm interested in partnering with CVEP's Workforce Excellence Programs, supporting work based learning programs and preparing our future workforce, as indicated above. Please complete form and fax to 760.776.8182.

Name: _____

Company: _____ Title: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Thank you for your engagement today with the workforce of tomorrow!

For more information about CVEP's Work-Based Learning Programs please contact:

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