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A Compilation of Best Practices and Successes in Collaboration

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Title of Best Practice: Career Exploration Internship Program

Description: Students are placed at a worksite that best matches their career interest. They complete 54 hours of onsite work experience and 27 hours of classroom curriculum that involves work/career readiness

Partners: Not specified

Need addressed: Career Preparation for students that allows them to network, exhibit good work habits and produce a portfolio for future work opportunities.

Cost/resources used: Not Specified

Briefly describe how you implemented this: Have the opportunity to work with students during two periods on my schedule and make contacts within the community. The time allows for job preparation for the student. Students are placed in either fall or spring semester and have the ability to seek the coordinator out for needed communication with worksite mentor and co-workers.

What were the outcomes:

- Students are able to utilize their experiences to define career choices and college majors. They also are given evaluations from worksite mentor and coordinator to enhance job portfolio which is started during this program.

Please complete this sentence:

This program serves as an example to others because: It shows the ability for school and communities to work together. Both partners in this situation can help give the student the best experience possible to observe the career or work involved in a specific career to help them move successfully to the next part of the journey.

Are there other supporting materials to share? Still building each year but looking towards a stronger program for student portfolio work