

# CAREER DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

## 20-21 Service Overview with NEW Virtual Events

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### **VIRTUAL CLASSROOM SPEAKERS**

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At a teacher's request, Career Development Council identifies a business professional to address a class about the content subject's relevance in a career, with a focus on helping students understand what skills and academic background are expected in the workforce.

### **VIRTUAL CAREER PANELS**

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An event where a small group of professionals in related career fields discuss their careers with a group or class of students via videoconferencing. Panelists first answer questions from a moderator or share a brief presentation then systematically students will ask questions either through a chat feature, moderated Q&A, or in breakout rooms.

### **VIRTUAL INFORMATIONAL INTERVIEWS**

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A student or small group of students will meet through videoconferencing with a professional to support student career research. It provides an opportunity for students to get firsthand, relevant information about the realities of working within a field, industry or position. This kind of information is not always available online or in print. Through an in-depth conversation led by student questions, students gain a better understanding about the knowledge, skills and abilities needed for possible career paths, gain advice on how to prepare for a given career, and improve communication skills and confidence when speaking with professionals.

### **VIRTUAL CAREER SPEAKERS**

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Professionals share information about their career and career field via videoconferencing with a focus on helping students understand what skills and academic backgrounds are needed and expected in the workforce.

### **VIRTUAL MOCK INTERVIEWS**

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Career Development Council partners with area employers to conduct one-on-one practice interviews with individual students via Zoom. In collaboration with educators, Career Development prepares students for these events by providing information packets that include video conferencing interviewing tips and suggestions on appropriate attire and conduct.

### **JOB SHADOWING**

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Career Development Council assists individual students or small groups to set up an active exploration of a prospective career by "shadowing" a worker in that field. Students visit the professional in the workplace to observe, ask questions and access first-hand knowledge from a reliable source.

### **WORKING WORLDS FOR EDUCATORS**

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Career Development Council coordinates this educator professional learning program to help teachers gain insights about local businesses and to make current real-world connections for their students. Coordinated either virtually or in person based on current health and school guidelines .

### **FIELD TRIPS TO BUSINESSES**

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Career Development Council organizes class field trips to businesses and organizations where students explore careers options and career pathways. Students gain first-hand knowledge of real world connections to content in-school instruction. Coordinated both in person and/or virtually based on current health and school guidelines.

