

Partner with Schools in Preparing Students to Meet Their Education and Career Goals!

Work-Based Learning is a revolutionary new approach to education which broadens educational, career, and economic opportunities for youth through partnerships between schools, businesses, and communities. Work-Based Learning is the hottest topic in schools across various Districts, Utah, and the Nation. Every student can benefit from this innovative approach that links students, schools, and workplaces together.

HOW CAN BUSINESSES GET INVOLVED?

There are many ways to get involved with Work-Based Learning. Work-Based Learning is one component of STC, which strives to make lifelong career development meaningful and natural by linking schools and businesses together. We would like to have you as a business partner. Here are some ways in which you can become involved:

Field Trips

Businesses take students and teachers through their facility.

Presentations

Guest speakers participate in presentations to students and teachers about their current career field.

Career Fairs

Businesses participate in local career fairs and career days and present information about specific careers.

Job Shadowing

Business mentors host a student all day within a chosen career field. The student gains valuable information about what it takes to be a part of and succeed in a particular career.

Internships

Students spend between nine to twelve weeks observing and participating with professionals in their chosen career pathway. This volunteer career experience gives students a real-life view of the world of work.

Cooperative Work Experience

Students participate in paid work experiences and receive on the job training in their chosen career field.

Apprenticeship

Students commit to a two- to four-year training experience that begins in high school and continues through post-secondary training.

BENEFITS FOR BUSINESS

Work-Based Learning provides the following real benefits to business partners:

- Ability to train individuals and evaluate the skills of potential employees prior to hiring
- Increase in positive work attitude among current employees when hosting or mentoring students
- Development of healthy, mutually rewarding relationships between public education and the business community

LIABILITY ISSUES

Students who are enrolled in school-sponsored, non-paid Work-Based Learning experiences with a cooperating mentor are considered volunteer employees of the school district, and are therefore covered by the district's Worker's Compensation plan for on the job injuries and occupational diseases. Should an on-the-job injury occur, the student should inform the cooperating mentor and seek needed medical attention. In addition, the student must report the injury to his/her Work-Based Learning Coordinator as soon as possible.

