

How might business and community agencies partner with schools?

The range of partnership possibilities is almost limitless. Here are just a few examples, which might stimulate your own thinking.

- Business employees tutor students in basic skill areas or in specialized academic or technical areas.
- Students are allowed to visit a workplace.
- Students are afforded hands-on opportunities for learning in a workplace environment.
- Student achievements are displayed in business locations.
- Business job expectations are articulated to high school undergraduates.
- Educational curriculum planners are acquainted with business and industrial terminology and concepts.
- Educators conduct educational upgrading classes at places of business.
- Business personnel serve as consultants to teachers and students in particular subject areas.
- Students are afforded job shadowing opportunities.
- Business sponsor scholarships.
- Business facilitates student membership in professional and trade organizations.
- Business accommodates a student as a company executive-for-a-day.
- Businesses share their organizational expertise through seminars, demonstrations, mock job interviews and career days at school sites.
- Businesses assist schools in developing public relations programs.
- Businesses donate surplus/redundant materials, furniture, computer software/hardware.