



THE ACADEMIES
OF RACINE



Transforming
high school
education
in RUSD.

Join us for one or join us for all! Explore the options below to learn about ways you can participate in the Academies of Racine.

Facilitating Tours

This is an opportunity to arrange for educator and student tours of your business facility. You can provide a behind-the-scenes look of day-to-day job functions, an interesting new project or industry updates to help students get a better idea of the latest trends in your industry.

Estimated Commitment: 1-2 hours per visit

Job Shadowing

Students leave the school campus (or access on campus business locations) & spend part of the day observing professionals in a career area related to their Academy and/or interests; students ask questions and complete assignments before, during & after the shadowing experience to help connect coursework with real-world requirements and expectations.

Estimated Commitment: 2-4 hours per shadow

Guest Speakers

Students receive an interactive lesson from industry professionals related to aspects of a career. Classroom guest speakers occur during all years of high school and help students gain a deeper understanding of career development and why what they are learning in school is relevant to their futures.

Estimated Commitment: 1-7 hours (depending on number of classes and presentations)

Pathway Mentor

Share your professional experience and career opportunities with students in their classroom. This usually consists of a meeting, identifying a goal, explaining and modeling, observing and further exploring an industry practice with a teacher.

Estimated Commitment: 1-2 hours per week

Internships/ Youth Apprenticeships/ Cooperative Education

Students engage in the study of a program directly related to career interests & participate in a workplace setting by performing duties related to the occupation being studied. Internships typically occur during the 12th grade year in order to assist students in the completion of a capstone project, but students may obtain an internship at any point during the high school experience.

Estimated Commitment: Minimum 480 hours of paid work experience (depending on Work Program)

Teacher Externships

A unique professional development opportunity connecting the classroom to the workplace. Teachers spend time in a workplace to learn through direct experience about trends, skill requirements and opportunities in industries related to their subject in order to enrich their teaching and bring relevance to student learning. In addition to externships, teachers are able to select areas of interest and gain hands-on experience through events such as the Employer Roundtables.

Estimated Commitment: 4-40 hours

Advisory Panel - Career Impact Team

Advises, assists, provides support and advocacy for schools in regard to career themes, makes real-world connections & promotes community-focused learning and rigorous learning experiences. This shared commitment offers an opportunity for business and community members to fully invest in public education and promote student learning that is relevant, marketable, and rewarding.

Estimated Commitment: 4-6 hours per year

SEE Your Future Expo

The Expo is an opportunity for students to talk with employees and learn about their current occupation, what career and education choices led to their current role, and how these experiences contribute to the success of your organization.

We encourage you to invite several representatives from your business/organization working in key, high-demand occupations to participate in the Expo.

SEE Your Future Expo tables are organized by specific career areas, which will allow students to explore how different careers are essential to your daily operations. Your organization may represent up to 5 different career areas. Each career area will have a separate table.

Estimated Commitment: 6 hours for the day of the event and ~3 hours planning time

