

DPS Career Development

Work-Based Learning



Learning With Purpose

The DPS Career and College Success Career Development Team partners with businesses and higher education institutions to help students visualize what's possible, chart a plan for their futures, provide hands-on experience and expand their professional networks through work-based learning.

With the invaluable support of our partners, students gain a head start on their personalized career paths in Colorado's ten career clusters. There are many ways to collaborate – from sponsoring a live/virtual career exploration event, becoming a mentor, hosting an intern or apprentice, contributing with a monetary donation and more.

We will partner with organizations who share our **commitment to equity** and provide anti-racist environments where our students can thrive. We look forward to working with you!

Industries:

- Agriculture
- Business
- Creative
- Education
- Engineering
- Hospitality
- Medical
- Manufacturing
- Public Safety
- Technology

Monetary donations are also welcome and will be used to further our work.



HIGHER ODDS
of on-time graduation for BIPOC and low income students



15,000 STUDENTS
enrolled in K-12 programs in 23-24

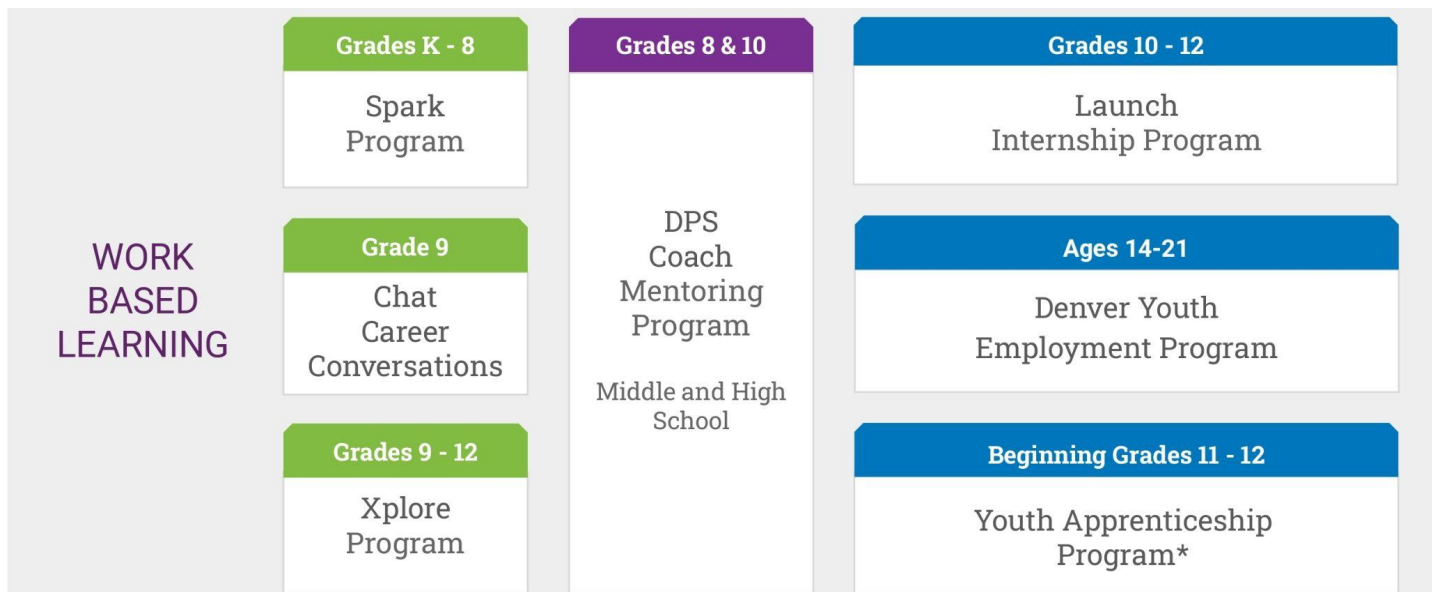


MORE THAN 300
company, higher ed. Individual and gov. partners



MORE THAN 60
participating schools

Career and College Success Model



*In Partnership with CareerWise Colorado



Interested in getting involved? Fill out this [Partner Interest form](#) or email careerandcollegesuccess@dpsk12.org

Here's how we are partnering with over 300 Denver companies:

CAREER EXPLORATION

Learning about work

PROGRAM:	PURPOSE:	TIME COMMITMENT:	GRADES SERVED:	APPROXIMATE # OF STUDENTS:
Spark ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL INDUSTRY INTRODUCTION PROGRAM	Introduce your industry to students through interactive exploration events, workshops and virtual learning sessions.	One - three hour event	K-8th grade	14 - 28
Xplore INDUSTRY EXPLORATION PROGRAM	Provide exposure to your industry through virtual/in-person company site visits and tours to help students learn about careers in a particular industry.	One - three hour event	9th-12th grades	14 - 28
Chat VIRTUAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM	Share your story while answering questions about your occupation, company and industry through a live streaming 45 minute session.	45 minute session(s)	6th - 10th grades	N/A

CAREER PREPARATION

Learning through work

Coach MENTORSHIP PROGRAM	Mentors are paired 1:1 with students and offer guidance in career and educational planning as part of a facilitated group. Sessions are in-person.	25-30 hours per school year	7th - 12th grades	10-20
Launch INTERNSHIP PROGRAM	Help young professionals become fully immersed in your industry and build their career and college portfolios through skills-based internships. Available as virtual, hybrid or in-person.	75-110 hours per internship	10th-12th grades	Company chooses how many students to host
Denver Youth Employment PROGRAM	Provide youth access to career exposure and the opportunity to further their passions and goals through foundational work experiences at your organization.	120 hour placements	10th - 12th (Fall/Spring) Ages 14 - 21 (Summer)	Varies by partner

CAREER TRAINING

Learning at work

Apprenticeship Program IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CAREERWISE COLORADO	Grow your talent through our innovative apprenticeship system. Students work at your company while taking college and high school classes and gain industry experience.	Students work 2 - 3 days a week at your company over two or three years.	Apprenticeships begin in 11th or 12th grade.	Company chooses how many students to host
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DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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