

## TIPS FOR INTERACTIVE PRESENTATIONS

### Goals:

- Showcase the careers of "Iowa's Creative Corridor", so students understand the diversity of opportunities right in their own backyard!
- Connect local businesses with students to help shape the future workforce.
- Convey to students the value of developing Professional Skills.

### Professional Skills to Highlight:

- Integrity
- Positive Attitude
- Teamwork
- Professionalism
- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Work Ethic
- Life-long Learning

### Examples of What to Bring:

- Veterinarian brings pet to show students the steps he/she goes through to conduct an exam.
- Play Therapist brings in Moon Sand and bubbles for the students to try for themselves.
- Cake Decorator can bring fondant and show students the tools they use to make specific decorations.

**The most successful and enjoyable presentations will be ones in which the students can actively participate.**

### Activities:

- Engineer can bring a model of a product for the students to assemble.
- Nurse can bring casting materials for the students to use on each other's fingers or hands.
- Project Manager can assign students to each portion of the project and ask them what needs to be done to bring the project to completion.

### Spice It Up!

- Ask students engaging questions - use incentives like company trinket to get students to participate.
- Keep PowerPoint slides VERY simple - a graphic that illustrates your main topic, with you delivering your message, works great!
- Check the students' prior knowledge before speaking on a topic. "What do you know about \_\_\_\_\_?"

**While activities and gadgets will make the presentation fun, the students do appreciate your presentation's content. Refer to our Presentation Content Tip Sheet for more information.**