

CAREER PATH DASH

A Career Forum

Help our members dash across the finish line of college, career and life!

A fast-paced career discussion that enables professionals to share their education, career, and life path with kids. A short talk followed by a Q&A session, gives kids the opportunity to engage with role models and learn about diverse career paths.

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✓ 3-5 KIDS
GATHER
AROUND
1 ADULT.

2

✓ PROFESSIONAL
SPEAKS FOR 2-3
MINUTES ABOUT
THEIR PATH.

3

✓ THE TABLE
TURNS:
KIDS ASK QUESTIONS
OF THEIR OWN.

4

✓ BELL
RINGS:
KIDS DASH TO
NEXT TABLE.



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Career Path Dash is a fast-paced student interaction where volunteers will have the opportunity to share their educational, career and life paths with a Q & A session with students at the end.

- Volunteers will have a designated station where 5 cohorts of students (5-6 students per cohort) will rotate to them.
- Volunteers will have the opportunity to share their story in a 3 minute time frame. A song will queue the end of their speaking time at which point the students will have 3 minutes to ask their questions.
- At the 3 minute mark a song will queue the cohort to rotate to the next station.
- This process will repeat until the volunteers have had the opportunity to interact and share with all participating students.

Suggested Volunteer Talking Points:

- **Briefly introduce yourself** (name, where you were born and raised, favorite hobby, etc.)
- **Overview of current career/job** (title, responsibilities, how you ended up in your current position, projects you are working on)
- **Overview of educational path** (schools/college, degrees, correlation of classes students are taking to your career, how your major may or may not tie into your current career)
- **Talk about challenges you have encountered and lessons learned** (grit, self-motivation, having a support system, self-advocacy, failure and recovery)
- **Discuss plans/goals you have set for your future** (short-term and long-term goals)
- **Share a piece of advice** (either that you received from a mentor or advice you wish you had received when you were a kid.)

Example Itinerary

4:30 pm	Arrival
4:35 - 4:55 pm	Welcome: Introduction & Tour
4:55 pm	Instructions to Career Path Dash
5:00 - 5:06 pm	ROTATION #1
5:06 - 5:12 pm	ROTATION #2
5:12 - 5:18 pm	ROTATION #3
5:18 - 5:24 pm	ROTATION #4
5:24 - 5:30 pm	ROTATION #5
5:30 - 5:45 pm	Life and Career Path Reflection
5:45 - 6:00 pm	Closing & Wrap-Up