

ASK QUESTIONS

Give students the opportunity to participate! Asking students questions helps you to confirm what they know and gives them a chance to interact instead of just observing. Ask WHO, WHAT, WHERE, WHEN, HOW, and WHY questions like...

Have you ever seen a _____ before?

Can someone tell me what _____ is?

How many of you _____?

Can you guess what a _____ does?

What kind of skills do you think I use?

When does _____ take place? Can anyone tell me where _____?



REAL WORLD EXAMPLES & CALLS TO ACTION

Think of an example of someone (or something) famous that is in your line of work or that has worked with you. Provide activities they can do NOW if they are curious about this job like volunteer opportunities, websites, places that will allow youth to visit. You are welcome to hand out flyers, job applications, talk about internships, or to direct students to your company's website or email. Ending your conversation with a call to action helps create awareness and increase involvement.



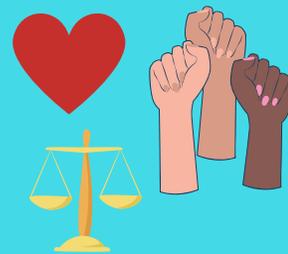
HAVE FUN AND BE AUTHENTIC!

Talking about careers doesn't have to be boring or dead serious. Think back to when you were in school...what were you like and what did you like? Share something funny you learned while at the job or a wild (but school appropriate) story! Draw on the whiteboard, use sounds and movement to animate your words. Explain what hiccups you faced, what programs were you involved in, a fun memory that comes to mind, and why you keep doing what you do!



FOSTER AWARENESS & INCLUSIVITY

Consider speaking to the inclusion of historically marginalized communities as it relates to your professional purview. Your experiences would be beneficial and encouraging for underrepresented students, such as those of color, LGBTQIA+ students, and those with disabilities. Awareness is key.



WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

You can always send us an email at yourfutureisourbusiness@gmail.com. We are always looking for ways to improve the events and make them more meaningful! If there are ideas you have to help improve the panel experience, please let us know. If you just want to share your experience, good or bad, email us!

If you would like to participate in future panels or other programs, please let the coordinator know. We host programs and events throughout the year!

