

The Student Journey

A path created in partnership with employers and educators

EXPLORE

Develop awareness through short bursts of content or activities, such as a workplace tour or virtual career introduction.

ENGAGE

Apply learning through practical experience, such as CCPs

IMMERSE

Perform work in authentic environments with other working professionals, such as in an internship or apprenticeship.



PREK - 5TH GRADES

Interest awareness & exposure to jobs

MIDDLE SCHOOL/JUNIOR HIGH

Interest awareness, exploration into industries, & career clusters

EARLY HS 9TH & 10TH GRADES

Career exploration & Practical Experiences via MVAs

11TH & 12TH GRADES

Practical or immersive experiences via MVAs

BEYOND

Student can apply and share outgrowths



**EMPLOYERS ARE ON THIS JOURNEY WITH STUDENTS
CREATING AWARENESS, BUILDING INTEREST AND PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES**

Where do educators fit into all of this?



Design

- Design exploration experiences and MVAs to fit your courses' and students' needs.
- Identify the standards/learning targets you will assess through the projects.
- **Pro Tip:** Take just enough time to plan a great project prompt and "overcommunicate" with clients. You can front-load planning time to help alleviate future troubleshooting.

Refine & Ask for Support

- Reach out to your Real World Learning coordinator and instructional coach to support and refine your work.
- Ideate backup plans for any surprises (e.g. delays, client changes, unexpected barriers).

Collaborate

- Work with other educators at your school and across the RWL network to share project planning materials and best practices.
- Build a relationship with the client to ensure employers' needs and classroom needs are in sync.