

Find Your Future - Suggested Presentation Template:

- **10 minutes – Introduction & Lead in Questions**

Purpose: To introduce yourself and capture your audience's attention

- **Introduction**

- Identify who you are, the career field you represent, your specific job title and the company for which you work.

- **Lead in Questions**

- Ask students 3 quick questions about your career field to test their current knowledge and perceptions. Have students answer individually. Address answers to questions during your presentation, and pose the questions again at the end of your session.

- **15 minutes – Information about your occupation and field**

Purpose: To communicate information about your career field, including the types of activities, problems faced, and tools related to your field.

- **Information about your career field.**

- What are the typical activities for individuals in your field? Provide examples.
- What types of problems are typically encountered and solved by individuals in your field? Provide examples.
- What are the other occupations found within your career field? What do people in those occupations do?
- What tools or equipment are used in your occupation? Provide examples.

- **Visuals related to your career field**

- Provide visuals to support your presentation such as:
 - Tools of the trade.
 - Products related to your profession.
 - Items students can handle or pass around.

- **Interactive Exercise**

- Engage students in an activity related to your profession
- Examples:
 - Advertising breakout session presenter could have students brainstorm a marketing campaign for a client or critique one already in place.
 - Business Executive could tell a story of an angry customer and asks students how they would handle it. Wraps up with what was done and how that impacted the company.
 - Dentist could bring in replica jaw and tools to pass around.

- **Questions to Address:**

- What is a “day in the life” like?
- What challenges do you face while doing your job?
- How do you apply the skills you learned in school to your work?

- **10 minutes – Overview of traits and temperaments of people in the occupation**

Purpose: To communicate the types of skills, temperaments, and training required for people in your occupation.

- **Overview of Skills, Temperaments, and Training**
 - Share examples of the skills needed in your profession (if not already covered)
 - Share examples of temperaments needed in your profession (i.e. leadership, patience, diligence, etc.)
 - Share the typical training paths needed for your profession.
- **5 Minutes – Questions & Answers**