



LEARNING WITH PURPOSE



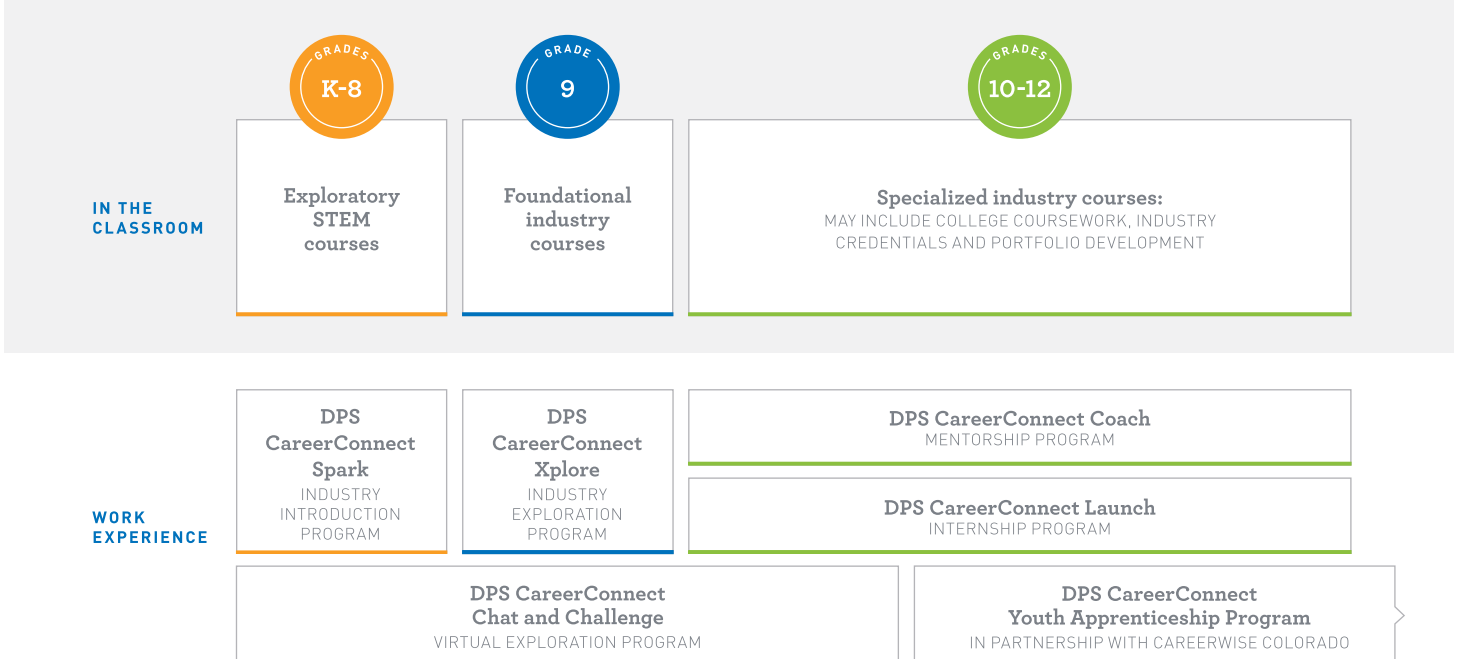
DPS CareerConnect partners with businesses and higher education institutions to help students visualize what’s possible, chart a plan for their futures and expand their professional networks through experiential learning that happens in the workplace.

Students can also get a head start on their personalized career paths through college coursework, high-value industry credentials, and modern youth apprenticeships in Colorado’s high opportunity industries.

CAREERCONNECT INDUSTRIES:

Business • Education • Creative • Engineering • Hospitality • Medical • Manufacturing • Technology • Public Safety

CAREERCONNECT MODEL:



Here's how we are partnering with over 200 Denver companies:

	PROGRAM	PURPOSE	TIME COMMITMENT	GRADES SERVED	APPROXIMATE # OF STUDENTS
CAREER EXPLORATION <i>Learning about work</i>	DPS CareerConnect Spark INDUSTRY INTRODUCTION PROGRAM	Introduce your industry to students through interactive exploration events and virtual learning sessions!	Two-three hour event	8th grade	14-28
	DPS CareerConnect Xplore INDUSTRY EXPLORATION PROGRAM	You can provide exposure to your industry through company site visits and tours, live streaming sessions and proposal projects to help students see the connection between coursework and the world of work.	Three-four hour event	9th grade	14-28
	DPS CareerConnect Chat VIRTUAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM	Share your story while answering questions about your occupation, company and industry through a live streaming 45 minute session.	Three hours total	8th - 10th grades	N/A
	DPS CareerConnect Challenge VIRTUAL EXPLORATION PROGRAM	Create a real-life industry challenge for students to solve in the form of a proposal project. Evaluate and score the top three final projects.	Four hours total	8th - 10th grades	14-28
CAREER PREPARATION <i>Learning through work</i>	DPS CareerConnect Coach MENTORSHIP PROGRAM	Mentors are paired one-to-one with students and offer career advice and share what they've learned as an expert.		10th grade	10-20
	DPS CareerConnect Launch INTERNSHIP PROGRAM	Help young professionals become fully immersed in your industry, building their college and career portfolios while contributing to your company.		10th -12th grades	Company chooses how many students to host
CAREER TRAINING <i>Learning at work</i>	DPS CareerConnect Apprenticeship Program IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CAREERWISE COLORADO	Grow your talent through our innovative apprenticeship system. Students work in your company for three years, attend college and high school classes and gain industry experience.	Students work 2-3 days a week in your company for three years.	Apprenticeships begin in 11th or 12th grade, and are three-year programs.	Company chooses how many students to host



18,600

Students enrolled in K-12 programs



40% higher

odds of on-time graduation



More than 200

company, higher education and government partners



More than 60

participating schools

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