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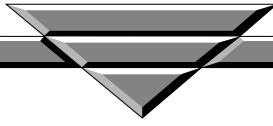


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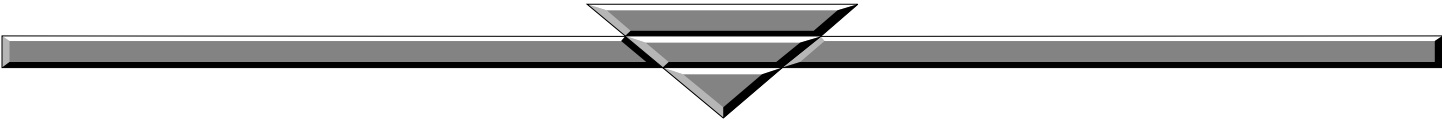
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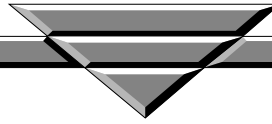
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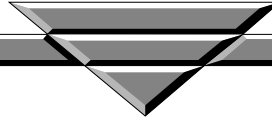
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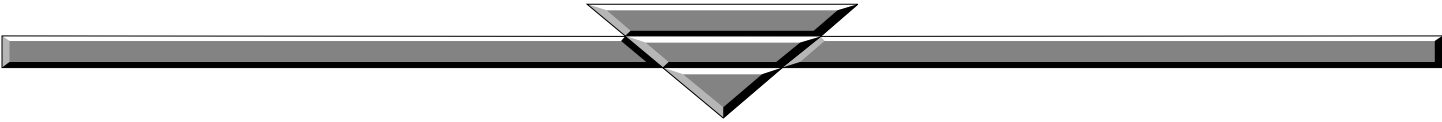
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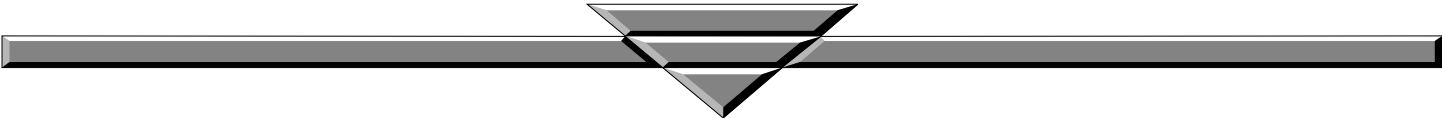
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- Table #:** 1
- Title:** **One-Stop Services - PACT (Planning Active Career Transitions): a School-To-Work Transition Program for Students with Disabilities at the Community College Level.**
- Presenters:** Jeanne Bowman, Oakton Community College
Clifford Casey, Oakton Community College
- Description:** PACT is a school-to-work transition program for students with disabilities enrolled in basic academic, as well as other transfer and vocational classes at Oakton Community College. The presentation will explain our holistic approach to student development and include an overview of program components: (1) academic advising, (2) orientation, (3) tutorial support, (4) weekly career guidance sessions, (5) firsthand exploration of jobs, (6) pre-employment skills instruction, (7) job placement assistance, and (8) transition/transfer support. The goal of the PACT program is to assist each student in planning a realistic career path. The next step is transition to appropriate training or work. The PACT staff attends to individual needs and facilitates the student's transition to other colleges or vocational training programs. PACT's Business Advisory Council provides information on current labor trends and critical work skills. The Council also provides opportunities for job shadows, internships, etc.

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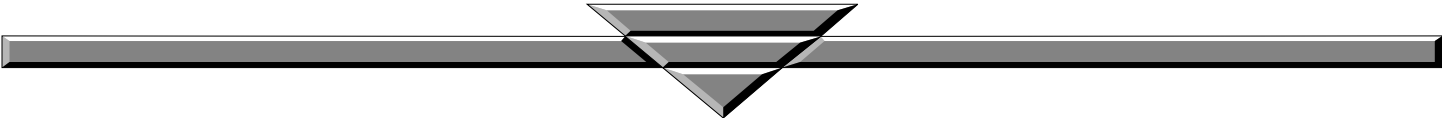
Title: **Giving Students a Road Map for Their Career Journey**

Presenters: Marilyn Lowell, Fieldcrest High School
Julie McNamara, Fieldcrest High School
Christina Fortner, Fieldcrest High School

Description: A team of three LDP participants from a small rural school will share with you their plan for increasing staff and school board awareness of what it is like to be a student with special needs; expanding staff collaboration for students with special needs and creating a course description book for student and parent use in the career planning process.

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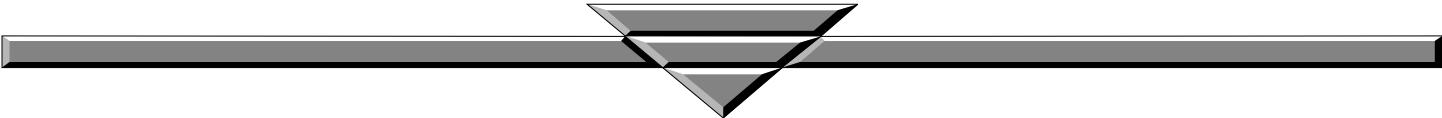
Title: **Career Explorations - A Community Experience**

Presenters: Gail Wright, Tampico High School
Susan Vance, Tampico CUSD #4

Description: Career Explorations - A Community Experience provides students with an interdisciplinary learning opportunity which promotes self, community, and career awareness. Students develop their individual career plan through collaborative efforts of parents, school, and business and industry. Students learn the relevancy of their classes. The freshmen take this knowledge gained from research, job shadowing, and speakers on careers and the job search to the pre-K through 8th grade classes to promote career awareness.

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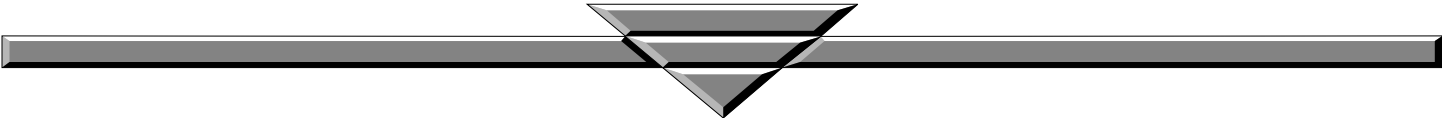
Title: **Integrating Career Awareness into a Sophomore Speech Class**

Presenters: Debora Lee, Plainfield High School
Marian Irvin, Plainfield High School

Description: At Plainfield High School, counselors and English teachers team up to present career awareness to sophomore speech students. Ideas on self awareness activities, job seeking skills, practice, and a shadowing program will be presented. Handouts will be available.

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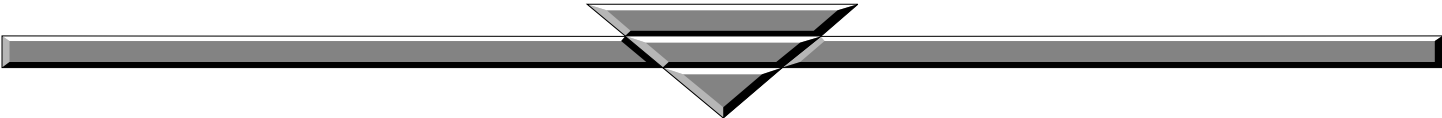
Title: **Careers on Wheels - Promoting Nontraditional Careers**

Presenters: Carol Baness, SRAVTE
Kelly Reffett, Ameritech
Paula Jaquins, Business Employment Skills Team, Inc. (JTPA)

Description: Careers on Wheels was an event held for the first time in April, 1995. It was designed to promote career development and highlight nontraditional career choices. Businesses were asked to send a work vehicle to the parking lot of the local community college. Individual workers standing with their vehicles explained the occupation they represented, the working of their vehicle, and the training required for their job. Students from area grade schools and high schools, college students and dislocated workers, as well as interested members of local communities attended the event. Of special importance was the fact that the event represented a cooperative effort. The Northern LaSalle, Bureau, Putnam Labor Council, JTPA, Dislocated Workers, IDES, SRAVT Project Chance and the local community college, Illinois Valley Community College participated in the planning and implementation.

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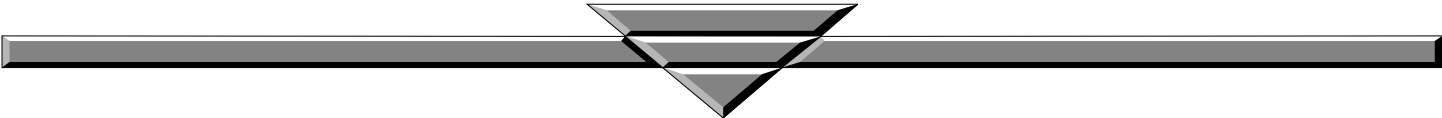
Title: **Mentoring-The-Mentor to Increase Family/Professional Collaboration and Team Building**

Presenters: Kathryn Moery, Institute on Disability and Human Development

Description: Who is a MENTOR? Who NEEDS a mentor? Can family members and school/community professionals mentor each other to build PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIPS to mentor students to reach their goals? Students, family members, educators, and community providers are encouraged to join the "Huddle" during this lively, interactive forum focusing on how to develop "key plays" for MENTORING A WINNING TEAM toward the Student Goal Line.

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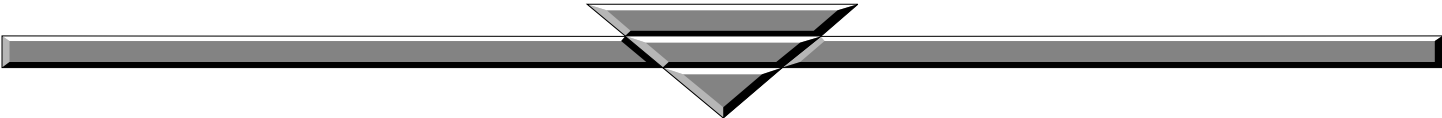
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Title:	Careers Unlimited
Presenters:	Barbara Drury, Southwestern High School Sue Schmidt
Description:	Considering a career fair, but afraid to tackle the project? Come and see Southwestern Tech Prep's approach to planning and conducting a career fair for the entire student body. With a limited budget and using local businesses and former graduates, Southwestern High School held their first successful career fair in the Fall of 1995. In addition to meeting possible mentors, students participated in integrated curriculum units in various classrooms. Let us share some tips with you.

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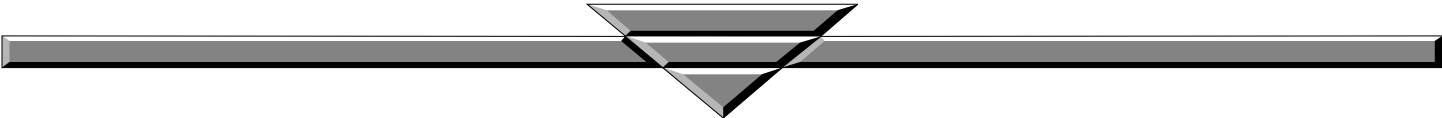
Title: Career Awareness Program

Presenters: Debbie Ceballos, Dwight D. Eisenhower High School

Description: The six major components to the Career Awareness Program at Eisenhower High School are: Teachers are required by Principal Kevin Burns to bring in guest speakers to visit their classrooms at least once each semester to talk to students about their own career paths from school to the workforce. Counselor Debbie Ceballos arranges an annual Speakers' Bureau Day with the assistance of the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce. She organizes a school-to-work transition initiative designed to prepare selected 12th graders with job and decision making skills in conjunction with the Southwest YMCA, and also created a "user friendly" career center to provide students and faculty with career materials and resources. Counselor Judy Rock organizes a biennial Career School Expo for 11th & 12th grade students to provide career and training information. Finally, Eisenhower will join other area high schools and the local community college, Moraine Valley, in sponsoring a Career Information Night on March 14, 1996 for all its students.

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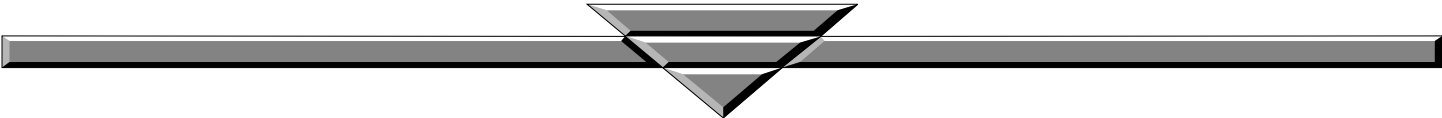
Title: Career Trek - Elementary Career Awareness

Presenters: Pam Tomso, IOICC

Description: This session will consist of activities from Career Trek, an elementary career awareness tool. Be sure to participate in the fun filled activities taken from the Career Trek kit.

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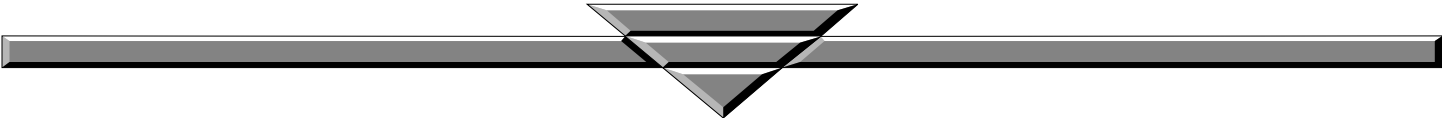
Title: **Making a Career Fair a Worthwhile Experience for Middle/Jr. High Students**

Presenters: Cindy Langemack, DuPage Career Education Center

Description: This session will show you how to organize a Career Awareness fair that exposes students to a wide range of career opportunities for the year 2000 and beyond. Learn secrets on how DuPage County puts together this annual fair for 3000 7th grade students and how they turn an ordinary fair into a worthwhile hands-on career experience.

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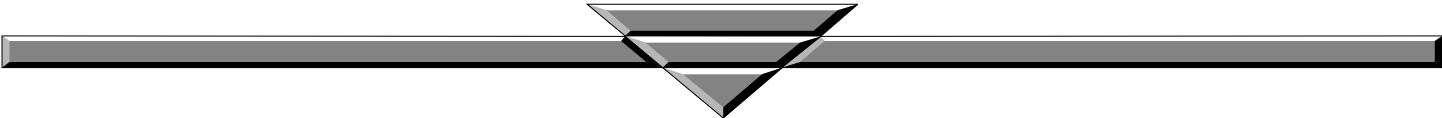
Title: Future Quest

Presenters: Barb Oilschlager, Lake County Area Vocational System
Linda Sanders, Lake County Area Vocational System

Description: The Lake County Area Vocational System sponsors a yearly career exploration explosion event called "Future Quest" for all 7th and 8th grade students within the county. The event involves students in team work, goal setting, building self-esteem, defining values and exploring career opportunities. Students also participate in hands-on activities and interact with our Business and Industry Partners. This roundtable discussion will provide participants with a working knowledge of the event and how it ties into Education-To-Careers.

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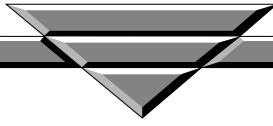
Title: **You Can Be An Inventor: Human Capital and Entrepreneurship**

Presenters: Jan Grote, Crystal Lake School District #47
John Jacobsen, Crystal Lake School District #47

Description: By studying inventions and inventors, students learn the significance of decisions, how they are made, and what influences them. In the process young people see that they, too, can make decisions culminating in a tangible product that brings public recognition. They learn about resources and the alternatives for human capital development. Personal involvement is emphasized, allowing students to develop skills and practice controlling their lives. Finally, by creating and producing a product of their own, students recognize the importance of motivation, persistence, knowledge, and skills in reaching a goal. In making the product they learn about production, specialization, quality control, and cooperative work. Students learn that they can bring about desirable changes in their lives by choosing to invest in their own human capital, making sound decisions, and participating fully in the economy.

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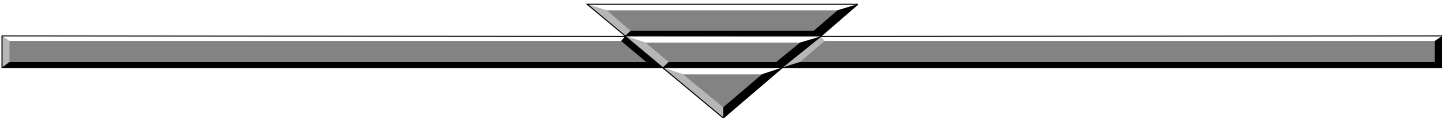
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- Table #:** 1
- Title:** **GET A LIFE - Relating Education to Careers with Academic At-Risk Hispanic Students**
- Presenters:** Teresa S. Rosa-Jackson, East Aurora High School
Ann Merk, East Aurora High School
- Description:** Learn about a comprehensive program for At-Risk Hispanic students that works. The JTPA 8% funded Freshman Startup Program or Fresh Start is a collaborative effort between East Aurora High School and El Centro Panamericano (a community based organization). The program offers its participants supportive services in in-school tutoring, career exploration and skills training, job shadowing, mentor by local Hispanic community college students and incentives such as field trips and community activities. In addition, a parent support group encourages parent involvement. Although originally designed for Hispanic students, the program is applicable to all at-risk students.

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- Table #:** 2
- Title:** **Helping Students Connect with the Appropriate Health Career**
- Presenters:** Margaret Swanson, Illinois Central College
- Description:** Come and learn about a community college course that is helping students connect with the health career best suited for their needs and abilities. The course serves the at-risk students, anyone interested in a health career, and high school juniors and seniors. The course development, content, methods of instruction, and suggestions for adaptation to your institution will be discussed.

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- Table #:** 3
- Title:** **Making Connections Through Peer Tutoring -- Connecting At-Risk Students with Successful Students to Improve Grades and Attitudes.**
- Presenters:** Kathleen Schneider, Thornton Fractional Township H.S.
Emerson Ahrens, Thornton Fractional Township H.S.
Dr. Robert Wilhite, Thornton Fractional Township H.S.
- Description:** The GAP is not just a clothing store. The GAP is also the Grade Assistance Program at our high school. Every day peer tutors are helping students get the one-on-one assistance not always possible in the classroom. Find out how our program works. Receive great handouts to help you either start a peer tutoring program or to add to one already in place. Information will be given regarding how to recruit tutors and tutees (students needing help, especially the at-risk ones), how to train tutors, run a tutor meeting, and keep records. Peer tutors are a school's greatest natural resource. Their services make possible the extra support and encouragement the at-risk student needs.

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Title: SOURCE OF SUCCESS

Presenters: Alice Boliek, Decatur Public School District #61 - DAVC
Donna Donahue, Decatur Public School District #61 - Mound
Middle School
Mary Jane West, Decatur Public School District #61 - DAVC

Description: The purpose of this project is to enhance and expand the middle school age parent's knowledge of parenting skills. The project was developed for the Learning Alternative for Mothers to Be program in the Decatur School District #61. To accomplish this purpose, the following objectives will be implemented: a) to develop a parenting resource for the teacher b) to develop a parenting manual for the student c) to offer inservices about parenting skills, community agencies, and service for the middle school student and their parents.

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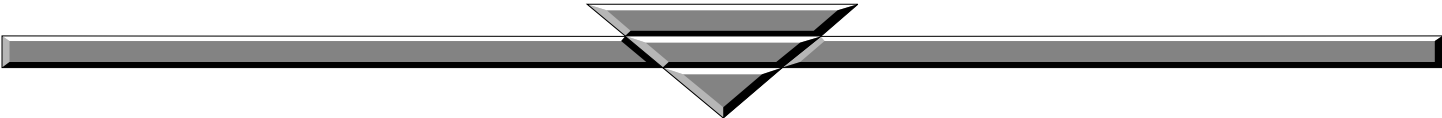
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- Table #:** 5
- Title:** **E.X.P.L.O.R.E. - Experience Possible Life Opportunities Resulting from Education**
- Presenters:** Cindy Pufahl, Crescent-Iroquois High School
Joe Blaha, Crescent-Iroquois High School
Diana Luedtke, Crescent-Iroquois High School
Lauri Zumwalt, Crescent-Iroquois High School
- Description:** This will be a creative presentation involving humor that will lead the audience through the steps of how a small rural high school planned and implemented a Career Day. The focus was on careers requiring 2-year technical and vocational training. A video of the Career Day and a booklet of career information that was distributed to each student will be available.

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Title: **Promote Your Programs: Have a Mall Expo**

Presenters: Tom Hahs, Kankakee Area Career Center

Description: Ever wonder how to market your educational programs effectively? Ever ask yourself how you could get the word out? The staff at the Kankakee Area Career Center asked these same questions. The solution was at the local mall. Have a Kankakee Area Career Center Mall Expo. This presentation will take you through the steps and procedures to have your own mall expo. Learn how to promote your programs and have fun doing it.

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Title: “...A Night on the Town”

Presenters: Alberta LaFollette, Williamsfield High School District #210
Frank Willis, Williamsfield District #210

Description: “...A Night on the Town” was the result of weeks in the classroom. The combined effort of the Williamsfield Catering Class and the Williamsfield Music Department brought to the community an evening of entertainment, great desserts, and professional service. The goal of the combined effort was to incorporate the pleasures of exquisite dining with musical entertainment in a small rural community without spending a great deal of money. The students worked together to assemble a program that allowed both the pleasures dining and entertainment to excite the local patrons. The catering class created pleasures of the palate and learned the art of serving. Through the coordinated integration of curriculum, the menu planning, cost analysis, and generated business skills taught career options. They incorporated the sanitation regulations and food service professionalism established in their catering class. The cooperation between the departments allowed both to exhibit the best skills to be used in a professional career of food service and entertainment. Everyone enjoyed the evening and as our skills improve, we plan to advance further with these departments taking advantage of entrepreneurship of entertainment.

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Title:	Establishing a Community Leadership Program in Your Community
Presenters:	Dr. Charles Warthen, Black Hawk College - East Campus Ted Vlahos, Hardees, Inc.
Description:	Connecting the various elements of a community is often made easier if a community leadership group is in place. This session will discuss the advantages of developing a community leadership organization in your community, what problems to expect, how you can affiliate with the national community leadership organization. A handy topical course outline will be supplied to all who attend.

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- Table #:** 9
- Title:** **Simulation Workshops Regarding Special Populations:
Preparing All Students for Career Opportunities**
- Presenters:** Sandra L. Stiles, U of I Cooperative Extension Service
Johnna B. Jennings, U of I Cooperative Extension Service
- Description:** The purpose of this Program Improvement Project was to improve the county 4-H program to be a more positive experience for all youth. The goal was to improve the accessibility and acceptability of programming for youth with special needs in the 4-H organization. A hands-on sensitivity workshop was conducted to increase awareness of the needs of individuals from special populations among 4-H members and leaders.

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Title:	Portfolio Presentation/Speech Fundamentals: Enhancing Curriculum Through Team Teaching
Presenters:	Glenn Hansen, College of DuPage Charlotte Pillar, College of DuPage
Description:	<p>In a rapidly changing world, a program needs to prepare its students to communicate effectively. In the photographic field, skills are perceived through the presentation of portfolios. The technical and visual abilities of the student must be presented in a professional manner to diverse employment market. In the traditional portfolio course the topics of career research and marketing are included. At College of DuPage we enhanced these course topics by linking the Portfolio Presentation and Fundamentals of Speech courses through concurrent enrollment. The Fundamentals of Speech course provided the opportunity for the students to explore the topics of interpersonal communication, small group work, and persuasive presentations in greater depth. This presentation will discuss the process of combining curricula from 2 academic divisions from planning through implementation and student outcome. The advantages and disadvantages of this approach to team teaching will be addressed in relationship to student experience and course content.</p>

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Title:	Workplace Skills/Ninth Grade Job Shadowing Days
Presenters:	Pam Brewer, Vermilion Vocational Educational Delivery System
Description	<p>Are your students entering the workforce with the appropriate skills to get and keep a job? Participants will receive a packet of information that can be used with students to improve workplace skills. It includes tips for filling out applications, resumes, cover letters and interview skills.</p> <p>Job shadowing is an important tool in the educational process for a new generation of students who live in a highly technical world. Local companies "open their doors" to encourage students in the school-to-work transition by hosting students in worksite based learning opportunities. Participants will receive step-by-step information on how to coordinate a job shadowing experience for their students.</p>

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Title: A Small Town International Gathering

Presenters: James E. Barr, MacArthur High School
Scott Reynolds, Douglas MacArthur High School

Description: A Small Town International Gathering is intended to be a multi-cultural awareness unit that incorporates a variety of learning styles and curriculum areas. Students will research various ethnic groups that are represented within and surrounding the Decatur area. After the students have completed their research, they will interview representatives of the various groups in order to get a personal feeling for the group. Research will include family units, customs, foods and methods of preparation styles and types of clothing, the influence of the environment on the group, etc. To complete the unit, students will prepare an International Tea using authentic foods and recipes. Business and civic leaders of the community will be invited as well as those who participated in the interviews.

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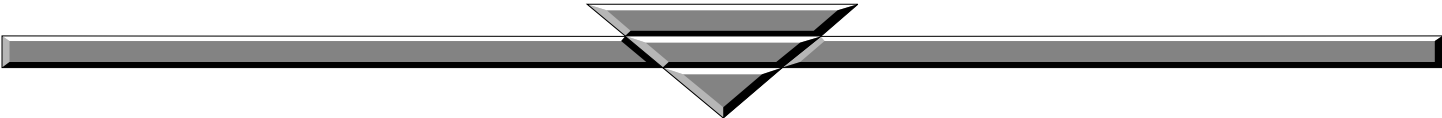
Title: Title I and Tech Prep - Partners For Success

Presenters: Christine Mangold, Metamora High School

Description: Students with poor reading, writing, and oral communication skills benefit from a "project oriented" approach that addresses these problems without screaming remediation. These projects require more advanced cognitive skills, critical thinking, problem solving, creativity, group dynamics, and evaluation. Smaller districts with limited funds may find it difficult to institute Tech Prep without strict adherence to the Applied Communications Modules. This program will present several projects that work well with these "at risk" students. It will also demonstrate how to set up a basic framework for teachers to use when creating their own projects, as well as methods to evaluate student participation and progress.

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Title:	Awareness of Special Populations Leads to More Inclusive Opportunities for All Students
Presenters:	David McMurtry, Univ. of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service Beth LaPlante, Univ. of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service
Description:	This presentation details a training program designed to increase sensitivity and comfort level of volunteers and staff working with youth special needs in informal educational settings. Included will be a training outline, fact sheets defining some common disabilities and general helps for each, a listing of locally available materials and resources, and program promotional materials.

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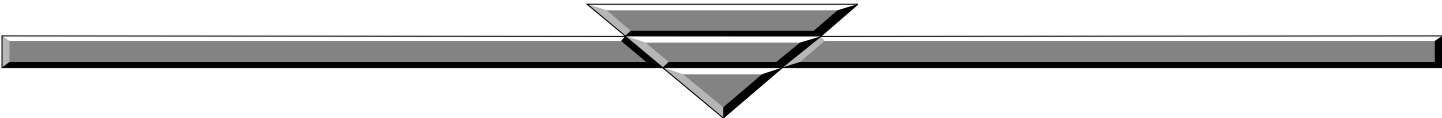
Title: **Insight To The Tourism and Hospitality Industry**

Presenters: Karen B. Malench, Granite City High School
Matt Martin, Adams Mark Hotel

Description: Travel and tourism is predicted to be the number one industry in the United States by the year 2000. It now accounts for 2.9 trillion in sales around the world. Over the past decade, travel industry employment has grown 43% - more than twice the growth rate for all U.S. industries. Occupations and careers in the hospitality industry include, but are not limited to: foodservice management, hotel management, travel agents, reservation agents, flight attendants, and tour operators. With one of every 15 workers in the world employed in the hospitality industry, the need to educate young people on these opportunities is crucial. Our high school program is designed to prepare young people for the hospitality industry in high skill, high wage careers and increase their opportunities for furthering their education.

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- Table #:** 18
- Title:** **Hands on Careers in Tech Prep - A Cooperative Effort in Career Exploration (between Secondary, Postsecondary and Industry)**
- Presenters:** Marianne Dzik, Illinois Valley Community College
Caroll Baness, SRAVTE (Starved Rock Associates for Votec Ed)
- Description:** Hands on Careers in Tech Prep is a cooperative program developed to encourage high school students to investigate careers - both traditional and nontraditional - through hands-on activities and conversations with industry role models and local community college instructors and students.

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Title: **Mentors Form the Bridge**

Presenters: Tina Hoffman, Mahomet-Seymore Jr. High School
Linda Parnell, Mahomet-Seymore Jr. High School
Wendy Highley, Mahomet-Seymore Jr. High

Description: The purpose of the program is to demonstrate how to bring resilience to the lives of students in the "middle" through mentoring experiences. To achieve this purpose, the goals include: a. to form a bridge between the community and the school, b. to prepare a future skilled workforce with good work ethics, and c. to establish an adult contact for at risk youth. The presentation will describe the steps taken to achieve these goals and to implement a mentoring program in a school.

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