What is a Career Experience Presentation?
Industry professionals introduce potential professional opportunities to Del Lago scholars by sharing their personal career journey and current work experiences.

What happens in a Career Experience Presentation?
A typical presentation includes several PowerPoint slides to visually support a 20-30 minute industry/career overview. Scholars are expected to ask questions about the presenter’s career experience and educational background.

Who can be a Career Experience presenter?
Industry professionals, community members, and college students participate in this program. We strive to bring in presenters from a wide variety of careers and professions.

How are scholars selected to participate?
All 9th and 10th grade scholars participate in Career Experience Presentations. Scholars select which presentations to attend based on their career interests. Between 25-40 scholars attend each week.

Why are Career Experience Presentations important?
They are the first step in our robust School-to-Career program, which culminates in our six-week off-campus Junior Internship program.

Interested in presenting? Contact:
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**WHY DOES YOUR PARTICIPATION MATTER?**

Del Lago scholars are challenged to explore real-world problems that extend beyond the classroom by establishing side-by-side working relationships with industry mentors. These experiences enhance classroom learning and orient scholars to the corporate culture. As a result, Del Lago scholars:

- Develop positive self-concepts
- Recognize strengths and deficiencies
- Value long-term goal setting
- Cultivate relationships and professional networks
- Gain leadership experience
- Build knowledge and skills in the field

Community and industry partners enrich the curriculum, provide scholars feedback on their work, share personal career experiences, and serve as mentors.

We are grateful to our industry partners for providing these meaningful opportunities that will have a lasting impact on Del Lago scholars’ future.

**INDUSTRY SECTORS**

- Graphic Arts and Design
- Health Science
- Medical Technologies
- Fashion
- Interior Design
- Video Game Design
- Biotechnology
- Engineering
- Manufacturing
- Product Development
- Transportation
- Public Services
- Information Technology
- Finance and Business
- Energy and Utilities
- Education
- Child Development
- Family Services
- Hospitality
- Recreation
- Marketing
- Sales and Service
- Agriculture
- Natural Resources
- Arts and Media
- Entertainment

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