

# Career Preparation Service-Learning Projects

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## Elementary

- 1. Students studied graphing techniques and came up with a school-wide survey to determine favorite hobbies and activities.** Based on the results, they invited appropriate community experts to participate in an end-of-year field day.
- 2. Students spent time with senior citizens. Students wrote and shared creative stories featuring their “senior buddy” as the main character.** The stories were historically accurate and showed the character’s career development and career options during that time. The stories were published and donated to the local library.
- 3. Disturbed by the lack of recycling in their town, students worked with town officials and the regional waste management director to teach the community about waste management and resource conservation.**
- 4. Students worried about heavy traffic near their school. They collected data and presented findings to the local police department and town council.** Students were responsible for the installation of a much-needed traffic light.

## Middle

- 1. Students held a career fair for younger students to help them understand career options and the world of work.**
- 2. With a local consultant, students learned about multiple intelligences and learning style preferences, and then organized and held a community fair to inform others.**
- 3. Students worked with a conservation group to design and produce an educational video about the city’s trail system.** They also administered a long-range needs assessment and brainstormed future projects to meet the needs.
- 4. Working with the local library, students developed ethical and legal standards for using the new computer lab.**
- 5. Students partnered with a bank and stockbroker to learn about budgeting, savings options, and the stock market.** They decided to hold a Financial Information Night to teach the community about the benefits and drawbacks of each option.
- 6. A class collected data from students and worked with the guidance counselor to organize monthly guest speakers for the school focusing on various professions.**

**Additional Service-Learning  
Projects on Back**



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High

- 1. Working with a local career center, sociology (or family and consumer science, or vocational)** students developed informational materials for displaced workers. They distributed their information materials to local town offices, libraries, community centers and businesses.
- 2. Hospitality students didn't like the guide to local sites and attractions. They decided to work with** the visitors bureau and historical society to develop a new one for teens. Their work included digital photography, PowerPoint presentations, and videography.
- 3. Students worked with the Area Agency on Aging to learn about the problems and needs of the** elderly. They learned that many senior citizens are not aware of the services that exist. They decided to develop a resource packet to place around town. Their website included more information and links to other helpful sites.
- 4. Concerned about the digital gender gap, students held a Technology Career Fair for 7th graders.**
- 5. Students organized seminars to teach younger students job seeking skills such as resume** writing, interviewing, etc.
- 6. Concerned by studies on student stress level, family and consumer science students taught** middle school students how to reduce stress and balance multiple and conflicting responsibilities.



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