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## Career Exploration Visits

Field Trip on Steroids



## Field Trips

### World English Dictionary

field trip — *n* an expedition, as by a group of students or research workers, to study something at first hand

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## Field Trip

- Select a Site
- Visit
- Return

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## Career Exploration Visit

- A work-based learning activity where a group of students from a specific career theme participate in a half-day experience during which they visit an organization within the specific career theme and spend time with people at work

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## CEV Goals

- Expand student awareness of careers and work environments
- Make Connections between what is learned at school and what is expected at the workplace

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- Observe how employees apply job-specific skills
- Develop Skill to interact comfortably and confidently with working adults
- Gain awareness of the academic, technical and personal skills required to succeed in the workplace

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## CEV How It Works

### Before The Visit

- Career Explorations: What, Where, Why?
- Skill for Success
- Making a Memorable First Impression

### After the Visit

- What Does the CEV Mean to Me?
- Expressing Appreciation

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## Career Explorations: What, Where, Why?

- Become familiar with the career exploration visit plans and the *Guide for Students*
- Use internet and print resources to research the company
- Make predictions about what you expect to observe and learn

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## Skills for Success

- Understand what transferable skills are and why they are important
- Know how the Career Academy Skills for Success are used in a variety of jobs
- Predict what transferable skills you will observe at the Career Exploration Visit

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## Making a Memorable First Impression

- Analyze your research to prepare interview questions and practice introductions
- Learn and practice skills to make a professional and favorable first impression
- Practice describing your career academy and the skills you're learning

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## The Visit...

Busch Gardens Tampa  
Outback Steakhouse  
St. Pete Times Forum  
Tampa International Airport

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## OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE



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## BUSCH GARDENS

**“I learned the importance of working behind the scenes and how everything fits together. This was a GREAT experience.”**

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**“...this trip ...makes me think I might actually be able to be a chef one day. It's cool how you can see something and dream to one day become it...”**

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## What Does the CEV Mean to Me?

- Compare predictions about what you expected to observe with what you did observe
- Identify career academy skills for success you observed
- Learn about “reflective thinking” and why we do it

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## Expressing Appreciation

- Write a thank you letter to your host
- Apply knowledge you've learned (vocabulary and skills)
- Evaluate your experience with the workshops and visit

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## Conclusion

**“I really really liked the trip ... I think it helped me put my career in perspective. I hope one day I can get a job in a place like that”.**

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## Thank You!

Questions  
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