

Hands-On Career Pathways Expo

Student & Family Information



The Lorain County Business Advisory Council — representing all fifteen K-12 public school districts in Lorain County — is excited to launch the 2025 Hands-On Career Pathways Expo! This countywide event gives students the chance to explore careers in a fun, hands-on way while connecting with real businesses and professionals from across Lorain County.

Event Details

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Lorain County Fairgrounds – Ross Exposition Center

- October 13, 2026 – Middle School Student Sessions (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM)
- October 14, 2026 – High School Student Sessions (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM)



What Students Will Do

At the Expo, students will visit interactive stations where businesses will provide short, hands-on activities (30 seconds to 2 minutes). These activities are designed to help students experience what careers in different fields feel like. There are no right or wrong answers — the goal is to help students make informed choices as they explore their future pathways.

Career Quest: Explore & Win

Students will take part in a gamified experience called Career Quest. Using bingo-style cards, they'll visit career stations based on their aptitudes and interests. As they complete squares, they'll be entered into drawings for fun door prizes. This activity makes career exploration exciting, engaging, and rewarding!

Explore by Interest & Aptitude

Connect student strengths to real-world jobs in:

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| * Healthcare | * Skilled Trades |
| * Manufacturing | * Information Technology |
| * STEM | * Community & Public Service |
| * Other | * Business & Professional Services |



Why It Matters

The Career Pathways Expo is designed to be a fun, engaging, and memorable way for students to discover careers, meet professionals, and connect what they're learning in school to their future opportunities. With interactive activities, door prizes, and many businesses and organizations participating, this event is all about helping students make informed decisions about their next steps after high school.

More info at LorainCountyBAC.org