## - Sauk Prairie Middle School Careers Day

One of our major points of emphasis at Sauk Prairie Middle School is to show students that school has a positive impact on students' futures. To celebrate the great work our students have done this year, and help them more concretely see the possibilities in their futures, we are hosting a Careers Day on April 8th. We would love support from our community in order to make this event a reality.

We are looking for your support in the following ways:

1. We need to find guest speakers willing to lead a 20-minute talk to a group of 25-ish middle school students about a job they have held (or currently hold) and their post-high school path to get their job. Part of our message to kids on this day is that not everyone takes a traditional path, so if you or someone you know might be able to tell our students a unique story about hope, persistence, or resilience as it relates to your work, we would love to hear from you!

We need guest speakers to represent the following "career clusters"

- Agriculture/Food/Natural Resources
- Architecture & Construction
- Arts, & Communications
- Business Management
- Education
- Finance

- Government & Public Administration
- Heath Science
- Hospitality and Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law & Public Safety

- Manufacturing
- Marketing, Sales & Service
- Science, Technology,
   Engineering, & Mathematics
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

Please consider helping us by:

- Being a presenter
- Leveraging your professional or social network to help us find others willing to present. We are willing and able to support virtual participation for our guest speakers
- 2. We are hoping to host a "reality fair" event, in which kids build a profile for themselves and get to make "real life" decisions around housing, transportation, banking, etc. This event looks/feels like a vendor fair in which tables are set up in our gym and students navigate the space to visit 12 different tables over the course of the day. People who support this space will be partnered with SPMS staff members who will help supervise. Here is a video of a news story from Holmen High School who recently hosted a similar event.

Please consider helping us by:

- Volunteering to support part of a booth at our reality store- some volunteers represent their business in the store, for example, a veterinarian might support the "pets" station, a realtor might decide to work at the "housing" station.
- Leveraging your professional or social network to convince someone else to participate.

The Reality Store Stations include:

| Bank        | Health Care                | Pets              |
|-------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Cell Phone  | Household Spending         | Charitable Giving |
| Children    | Housing 1 (Rent or Buy)    | The Unexpected    |
| Credit Card | Housing 2 (Finding a home) | Transportation    |

If you are interested in helping with this event yourself, or if you know someone who you think would be willing to help, please fill out <u>this survey</u>. If you'd like to learn more about this event, please contact either:

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