



EDUCATOR EXTERNSHIP

2025 Educator Externship | July 28 - July 31, 2025

Employers are increasingly looking for skilled workers, yet are experiencing difficulties finding talent. To ensure relevant connections between curriculum content and students' future career interests, it is vital that our education system has the opportunity to engage with area businesses.

The Minneapolis Regional Chamber Educator Externship program brings career-based learning to life. Through this unique professional development opportunity, secondary and post-secondary educators, guidance counselors, and administrators are immersed in the day-to-day operations of key regional employers. These onsite experiences help create a bridge between business and education. Participants meet industry leaders, learn what is needed to be successful in career pathways, and get real-time insights into industry needs and trends.

What to expect:

The Educator Externship is a four-day event that includes an opening session, five business visits, and a closing session. The opening session is a kickoff to the program, and provides an overview and introduction to the upcoming activities. The closing session provides an opportunity for all participating educators to share and compare experiences, ideate around how best to translate those experiences into classroom impact, and create tools and resources to use with students. For the business visits, participants are divided into smaller groups based on career fields.

Career Fields Include:

- Business Management & Administration
- Health Science
- Engineering, Manufacturing & Technology
- Human Services
- Arts, Communications & Information Technology

Why participate?

Participating employers will:

- Have the opportunity to share about your company's values, products/services and take a group of about 10 on an exciting hands-on tour of your facilities.
- Hear directly from educators and administrators about the classes and programs they have that are preparing students to enter your industry.
- Build relationships and create partnerships with educators and administrators in the Twin Cities.
- Get your company name and brand in front of the people teaching and guiding the future talent workforce.

Interested in being a participating employer?

Contact Maddy Fisher at mfisher@mplschamber.com

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