



# Experiential Learning

Experiential learning provides opportunities for all students to co-construct their learning. It is an approach where students are engaged in a three-stage cycle. The student:

1. is an active participant in authentic experiences which align with school curricula;
2. reflects before, during and after their learning experiences in order to derive meaning; and
3. applies what they have learned to help them make informed decisions, advance their knowledge and refine their skills.

## Community Connected Experiential Learning

Community connected experiential learning (CCEL) is an effective approach to assist schools in addressing the complex needs associated with preparing students for a rapidly changing world. CCEL involves active student participation in authentic, community-based experiences, reflecting on these experiences and applying their learning to their own lives. CCEL helps create direct connections between student learning and real-world environments, problems or issues relevant to them. Community connected experiential opportunities help promote student engagement and motivation, while also developing student capacity for resilience.

## What can you offer as a partner?

### Virtual

- Video presentations
- Demonstrations
- Career and workplace ethics
- Virtual tours
- Mock interviews
- Industry mentors

### In Person

- Site visits
- Industry tours
- Job shadowing
- Field work
- Civic engagement

### Classroom

- Presentations
- Case studies (to present or evaluate)
- Judges / panelists
- Guest speakers
- Q & A sessions

### EECD's established programs:

- Essential Skills Achievement Pathways
- Virtual Mentorship Co-op
- Cooperative Education placements
- Innovative Personalized Learning Centers
- Centre of Excellence
- Entrepreneurship

## What are the benefits for you, our partner in education?

- Provide youth with an opportunity to build and enhance their skills, perceptions, and work ethics.
- Expose students to careers and opportunities in their local communities and throughout New Brunswick.
- Bring community awareness to your business—New Brunswick opportunities get the spotlight!
- Work directly with members of the future workforce—students!
- Deliver your shared needs, visions, values, and philosophies to students and schools.
- Close potential gaps in the skills needed to work in your business and industry.
- Coaching opportunities for your employees to develop confidence in their own skills as they teach and train.

## What are the benefits for students because of your partnership commitment?

- Provide youth with an opportunity to build and grow their soft skills.
- Blend classroom learning with real-world experiences.
- Increase learning engagement by connecting school curriculum to practical applications.
- Prepare students for possible and future careers.

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## How can you offer community connected experiential learning opportunities?

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**“The only source of knowledge is experience.”** – Albert Einstein