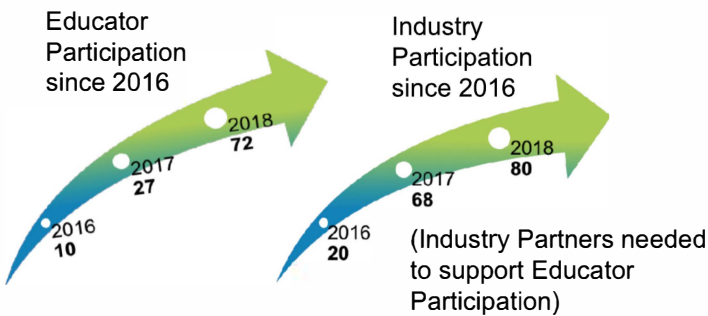


Educator Externships in Oregon

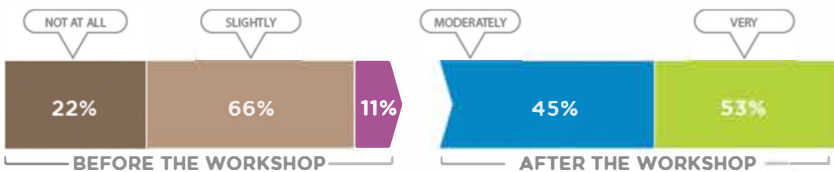
This project began in 2016 when an Associated General Contractors, Oregon-Columbia and Willamette Promise - WESD partnership began to look at unfilled positions in the construction industry's high demand, high wage fields.

The Oregon construction industry was interested in partnering with WESD to provide Oregon educators with an opportunity to shadow and learn about the numerous opportunities in this industry with two primary goals in mind: Build relationships with educators, and support these educators with information, observation, and exploration into the industry. The goal was to let educators know how to engage all students in the professional skills needed to succeed in careers, and help students identify career opportunities within the industry.



Educator Impact

KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY



Get involved!

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Classroom Impact

Educator Tom Pugh, (2018)

"I'll be using the soft skills all year long in my sophomore math class. Kids always ask "when am I ever going to use this?" and I've always replied that they probably won't use the math directly, but the thinking, analyzing, process following, problem solving, logical thinking, and creative thinking will be used by most people. Now I can correlate most of my class to the soft skills, not just the academic side but even things like the tardy policy, turning in assignments on time, writing legibly, showing your steps/process, etc. It's going to be a real game changer!"

Example Externship Schedule

WEEK ONE	AGC Oregon Columbia Chapter	Willamette Education Service District
DAY ONE	SAFETY TRAINING	ORIENTATION APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS
DAY TWO	GENERAL CONSTRUCTION: ESTIMATING, PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND SITE TOURS	
DAY THREE	HUMAN RESOURCES: BACK OFFICE, ACCOUNTING, MARKETING, PROCUREMENT, AND SITE TOURS	
DAY FOUR	LOCAL SHADOW AND EXPLORE (LSE) DESIGNED TO WORK WITH A LOCAL COMPANY IN TEAMS OF 1-3; BUILD RELATIONSHIPS	
WEEK TWO		
DAY ONE	HIGHWAY ROAD WORK OPERATORS	
DAY TWO	COMMUNITY COLLEGE CONNECTION: CERTIFICATES AND TWO YEAR DEGREES, TRANSFER DEGREES CONSTRUCTION, MANUFACTURING AND AG CONNECTIONS	
DAY THREE	LOCAL SHADOW AND EXPLORE (LSE)	
DAY FOUR	UNIVERSITY CONNECTION: BACHELORS PROGRAMS AND MASTERS EXTERNSHIP WRAP UP: LESSON PLANS, PRESENTATIONS, REFLECTIONS	

Industry Feedback

"Watching the reactions to the teachers as they learn more about our industry is very rewarding and we know their excitement will be transferred to the students throughout the entire year."