



# *Educator EDventures*

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**Educators, save the date for another week of fun and adventure, June 26-30, 2023!**




EDventures are back and ready to provide a quick externship experience for K-12 educators and administrators from all content areas. The goal of EDventures is to connect teachers with businesses in the community so they may learn first-hand about our local job market, careers trends, and essential skills students will need to thrive in their future. As teachers return to the classroom, they can incorporate activities based on real-world scenarios or extend learning beyond the classroom through personal interests.

Community awareness and career exploration are just as important for teachers as they are for students. EDventures is a one fun way for teachers to get behind the scenes to stay abreast of current and emerging skills and learn about the professional dispositions desired by businesses in our region. Ultimately, our goal is for all teachers to feel career-connected to our community. EDventures is a partnership between the Fargo-Moorhead-West Fargo Chamber of Commerce, the Cass County Career & Technical Education Center (C3TEC), and Ignite, and open to K-12 educators in the Cass-Clay region

As Director of Career and Technical Education, I am fortunate to directly observe how partnerships between K-12 education and the community can change the perceptions and impact in career awareness when we work together versus in silos. It has been insightful to hear from business leaders as they describe their workforce needs and we work together to increase job shadows, internships, and cooperative work experiences. It is even more compelling when students make the connection between what they learn in the classroom and how they can impact the community now and into the future.



# Educator EDventures, continued

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During EDventures, teachers may earn one NDSU graduate credit by touring five business sites, reflecting on each visit, and creating one lesson to promote career concepts or professional skills in their curriculum. Educators will also be introduced to the FMWF Chamber of Commerce [“Ignite” website](#), providing another platform for K-12 educators and businesses to connect throughout the school year. Those interested in graduate credit must enroll by June 23, 2023, complete requirements by July 7, 2023.

Working together to promote the business community while sharing the K-12 story may ignite learning and help all of us achieve success. Educators sign up, create a partnership between your classroom, and ignite career awareness today!

Thank you to the following area businesses for opening their doors for an AM or PM session to host our educators including Amazon, Assembly Systems, Border States Electric, Butler Machinery, Bytespeed, Carr’s Tree Service, Clay County, Doosan Bobcat, Farm in the Dell of the Red River Valley, Hector International Airport, Holiday Inn, Legacy Plumbing, MWC Advertising, and Robert Gibb and Sons.

  	   	  	  
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