



A Community-connected Partnership: Strategies for Real-World Learning Workshop

About the Workshop

Experience the power of **Ford NGL Community-Connected Learning (CCL)** – the ultimate strategy for bringing real-world relevance into the classroom! CCL combines industry-approved, project-based learning with meaningful work-based experiences to prepare students for future careers while aligning with workforce needs. Through dynamic collaboration between educators, businesses, and community partners, CCL connects student learning with career pathways. Participants will discover practical tools, resources, and strategies to overcome implementation challenges, build partnerships, and design engaging work-based activities.

Workshop Aims

- Understand how CCL promotes real-world, project-based learning for students and teachers.
- Explore how CTE programs, businesses, and communities work together in CCL.
- Learn strategies to create career-focused, engaging learning activities.
- Understand how teachers, students, and employers collaborate on interdisciplinary projects through CCL.
- Identify challenges in using CCL and explore ways to overcome them.
- Gain practical tools for work-based learning, project planning, and building partnerships.
- Reflect on how CCL helps districts meet learning goals with meaningful, career-relevant experiences.

Agenda

Section 1: Opening Moves

Section 2: Essentials and Impacts of Community-Connected Learning Environment

Section 3: Enhance your PBLs to CBLs

Section 4: Engaging Work-Based Learning Activities to Enhance CBL

Section 5: Closing Moves