



## **BEST PRACTICES: SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR SPEAKERS AT CAREER EVENTS**

- What can a high school student do now to prepare for a job in your career field?
- What is most challenging about your job?
- What strategies are most effective in finding a job like yours?
- Did you have to go to college?
- What does a day at the job look like for you?
- What requirements or training are needed for the job you are doing?
- Do you feel that this career provides a comfortable lifestyle?
- What are the pros and cons of your career?
- Why did you choose this career path?
- Are you happy with your career decision? Why or why not?
- What additional things do you wish you would have considered when you were choosing a career/job?
- Describe the classes/subjects in high school that helped you get ready for this career?
- What classes/subjects do you wish you would have taken in high school that would have better prepared you for what you are currently doing?
- Describe the skills you learned in high school that you now use in your job?
- Explain why/how you got hired for your present job.
- What are your future goals?
- If you could start all over, would you choose this career again?
- What skills/qualities are most valued by your current employer? Why do you think they value these skills?
- What was most surprising to you after you left high school?
- Do you have any advice that you would like to give current high school students?
- If you could go back to high school and do things differently, what would you do different?
- How many hours/week do you spend working?