



WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

Getting Middle Schoolers College & Career Ready

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BACKGROUND

- Work at Sinaloa Middle School in Simi Valley
- a National School to Watch and CA Gold Ribbon School
- a Pathways school and partner with Reagan Education Foundation
- Teaching 19 years
- English teacher; Leadership advisor



THE CHALLENGE...

How to get our students thinking about college, careers, and life after middle school?

THINK ABOUT
YOUR FUTURE

- High EL population
- Students already doing career research paper in 8th grade English

"WHERE ARE YOU GOING?" EDUCATION & CAREER FAIRE



PREPARATION...

- Get a partner!
- Searching for participants
 - PTSA, Rotary, school newsletters, Facebook & social media
- Polling 8th graders
 - Career interests, high school plans, likes/dislikes
- Creating student locators

ready- set.

go!



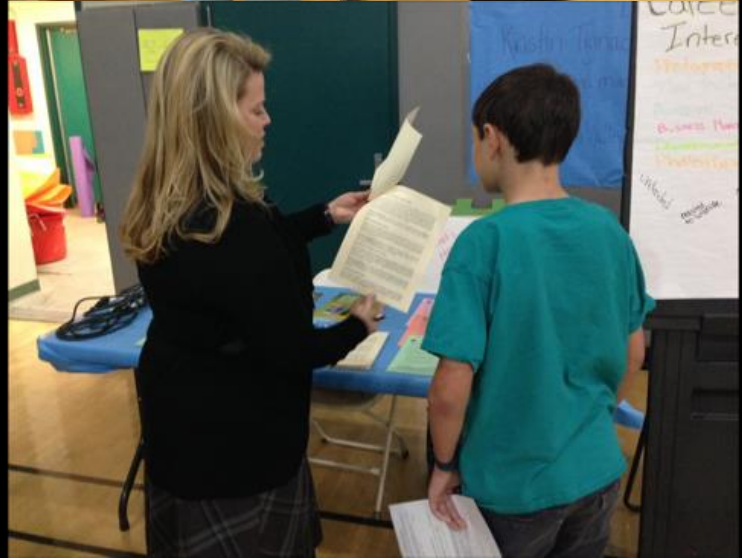
PREPARATION...

- Use Leadership students to...
 - create signage for participants
 - work during event
 - set up/tear down
- Use PTSA parents to...
 - help with monitoring in gym
 - set up food and gather donations

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PORTFOLIO DAY

- Giving students a chance to share their learning with members of the community
- Start preparation early! Pull assignments starting in 6th grade/7th grade.



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- In 8th grade, compile a set of "favorite" assignments to share
- Students create resumes to include in portfolio
- Students practice interview skills in English classes
- Bring community members to talk to students





