



Raising Aspirations



Corporate Volunteering
October 2024 - December 2024



Our Raising Aspirations projects currently work in schools and colleges across Greater Manchester to enable young people from primary school up to college (age 9-19) to think more about their aims and goals for the future and to learn new skills. The majority of our projects are lead or facilitated by volunteers from the world of work, education sectors or training providers.

The projects that we are currently recruiting volunteers for are:

- World of Work
- Mock Interviews
- Transition Days
- Raising Aspirations Mentoring
- Money Matters Junior
- Meet the Business
- Interview Ready
- Workshops

To book on to any of the activities you find below, please use the [Microsoft form](#) or if you have a question, please contact the team on: raisingaspirations@salfordfoundation.org.uk



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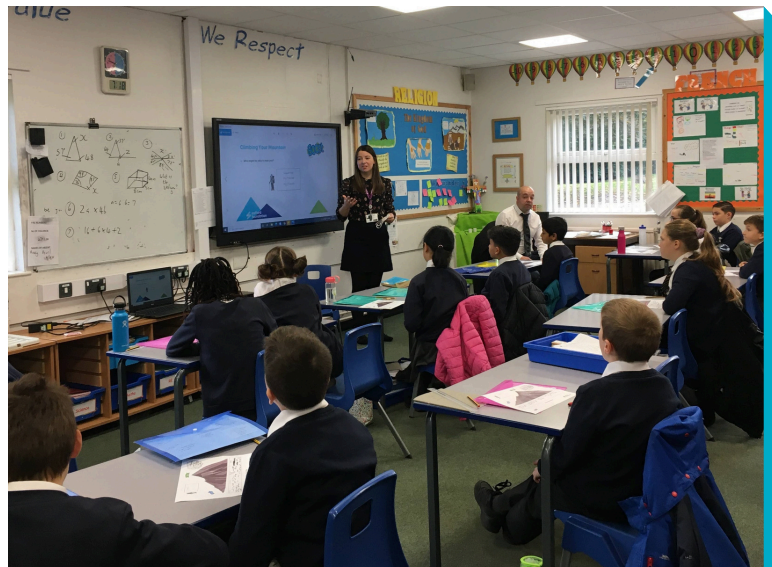
JUNIOR MONEY MATTERS

This programme delivered in a classroom setting uses a character study to discuss various topics about money to primary schools pupils in Year 5 and 6. The students will help the character make financial decisions while learning aspects about personal finance.

The day will look at topics such as: budgeting and saving, household bills and payments, making payments on credit.

Volunteers will be trained and provided with resources and activities to deliver the sessions to a class and may need to complete a DBS application. Junior Money Matters is delivered over half a day in a primary school.

If you know of a primary school that may be interested in taking part in this session, please let us know the name of the school and the contact there (if possible). **Please note: this is only for schools within Greater Manchester.**



SECONDARY SCHOOLS

WORLD OF WORK

Did you know what you wanted to do for a job when you were 14 years old? Our World of Work is an opportunity for students to find out what real life jobs are like. Through a Q&A session, students will be able to ask you questions about your job and the company you work for. For example, questions such as: what does your place of work look like? What do you do day-to-day? Did you go to college?

Small groups of students will carousel around 5-6 different sessions to find out about some of the different opportunities and job roles available. You will see 100+ students throughout the day.

Please be aware, we can only accept one college or training provider for each of the **World of Work events. This will be a first come, first serve basis.**

CURRENTLY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR:

- 19/11/2024 - 8:30 - 13:00
 - Co-op Academy Swinton, Salford
- 28/11/2024 - 9:00 - 12:00
 - Manchester Secondary PRU, Manchester
- 11/12/2024 - 8:15 - 12:45
 - Laurus Ryecroft, Tameside

CAREERS FAIR

Our Careers Fair has a similar setup to our world of work, allowing businesses to setup a stall and engage with students across the school through sharing a variety of information with students wanting to pursue a career your business or industry. Stalls can be information sharing, activities, posters, etc. We work with YR11 students through to YR9.

Please be aware, Careers Fairs can facilitate multiple training providers and colleges.

CURRENTLY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR:

- 06/11/2024 - 8:30 - 12:00
 - All Hallows RC High School, Salford

MOCK INTERVIEWS

Young people will often only consider jobs that are familiar to them from friends and family creating a barrier to social mobility. Business volunteers in schools are essential for inspiring young people's visions for what they could be and practice interviews help students feel prepared for their next steps, increase their chances of securing work after education and confidence towards entering the world of work.

Interviews will be held in the school and the activity lasts for the whole academic day. Interview slots are 20 minutes with volunteers interviewing 10-15 students throughout the day. All materials are provided and no prior experience required; a briefing will be given with all information needed on the morning of the event.

CURRENTLY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR:

- None Scheduled until 2025

YR6 TRANSITION DAY - CHRISTMAS CRAFTS

Transition activities are fun and engaging activity days for primary school children to visit All Hallows as part of our Transition programme. These days are often split into 6 short workshops and a volunteer would be asked to run a simple 20 minute activity as part of the day. The transition days are often really popular and lots of fun. No training is required as briefing is given on the day. All activities are planned and resourced by Salford BEP. If you haven't had a go before, why not give it a try?

This full day event will be working with Year 6 students from different Primary Schools across Salford coming to All Hallows and taking part in our themed activities. Volunteers will be asked to manage one of the 6 stations where the children will participate in an activity and then rotate around to the next one after the allotted time. These stations will be focussed on craft related activity for these workshops.

CURRENTLY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR:

- 04/12/2024 - 8:30 - 15:00
 - All Hallows RC High School, Salford





RAISING ASPIRATIONS MENTORING

Our mentoring programme has been running for 6 years now and has impacted over 2000 students. The main aim of the mentoring programme is to enable students in Year 8 and Year 9 to discover the skills and attitudes needed to successfully transition from education into the world of work. Through interactive activities and discussions with groups of up to 8 students, you will have the chance to share your stories and help equip students with some of the essential skills needed in the world of work.

You will become a mentor for these students, meeting them each week over a 6-week period and delivering activities and leading discussions based around a different theme each week: team work, time management, self-awareness and resilience, communication and problem solving. Where possible, we also like to facilitate a visit to their mentors' place of work where they can experience the workplace that you have been talking about. The programme is fully structure and resourced. You will need to attend training and complete a DBS form before being able to join this project.

Please be aware, we cannot accept any college or training provider for this programme. This will be a first come, first served basis.

CURRENTLY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR:

- All Hallows RC High School, Salford
 - 6 weeks starting end of October (Fridays)

COLLEGES

INTERVIEW READY

Feedback from businesses we have worked with over the years has told us that they believe many young people aren't prepared for their first job interview and so we have designed Interview Ready with input from the business community.

Interview Ready is for college-aged students and prepares them for their first step into the world of work. The two-part programme is made up of a preparation workshop with a class of students, covering: Personal Branding, Application Preparation and Interview Preparation, followed by a Mock Interview. The workshop will last approximately 90 minutes and each mock interview will be 20 minutes.

Salford Foundation will deliver the preparation session, followed by business volunteers delivering the mock interviews, with support from Salford Foundation staff. Business volunteers will have the opportunity to share some of their knowledge and experience through the workshop, then be able to interview students one-on-one shortly after. Salford Foundation provide all of resources for the day, so little is needed from volunteers beforehand. What we ask is usually for a business to partner for an event, providing multiple volunteers to take part in the activity on the day.

There are two main groups of students that will undertake the programme:

- Students studying courses relevant to the business volunteer's experience – we will match you with a group of students that would be likely to enter into a similar role/organisation.
- Princes Trust: students who are completing a 12 week course to improve their confidence and employability skills. These students will benefit greatly from meeting with business volunteers and learning new skills to move into work or further education.

CURRENTLY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR:

- Bury College (T-Level Students) - 21st November 2024 (9am-12pm)
- Trafford College (Business Students) - 27th November 2024 (9am-2pm)

COLLEGES

MEET THE BUSINESS

An opportunity to showcase your business and the different job roles and departments within the organisation to a group of college-aged students, the session will be approximately one hour dependant on number of volunteers.

We have often found that students can be unaware of the variety of jobs available in a company - that everyone who works for a construction company isn't a builder, that not everyone who works at an accountancy firm isn't an accountant and so on.

Business volunteers from different backgrounds and job roles (three to four) will talk about their job and role within the organisation, as well as discussing what it is like to do their job. Dependant on the number of volunteers we would expect this to last around 10 minutes each, followed by a Question and Answer session with the students.

We will provide a list of suggestions, however volunteers are free to discuss what they feel is important for young people to know, and this could include:

- How did you get to your current position?
- What does a 'typical' day look like in your role (is it 9-5, is there travel etc.)?
- What do you wish you'd known before your first job?

Volunteers could also run an activity if they choose.

It is also a great opportunity to discuss what roles are available in the organisation, such as entry level, apprentices and graduate roles as well as showing the range of departments.

CURRENTLY RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS FOR:

- Bury College (100 Students) - one Monday in November/December
(Exact date to be discussed with the business at sign-up.)

COLLEGES

WORKSHOPS

Businesses will create and develop a workshop that will look at different aspects of the company, giving an insight into the range of careers, skills and technologies found in the ever-changing world of work.

Workshops are delivered by sector professionals, with the support of Salford Foundation Staff. Sessions can be run in the business environment, in college or remotely.

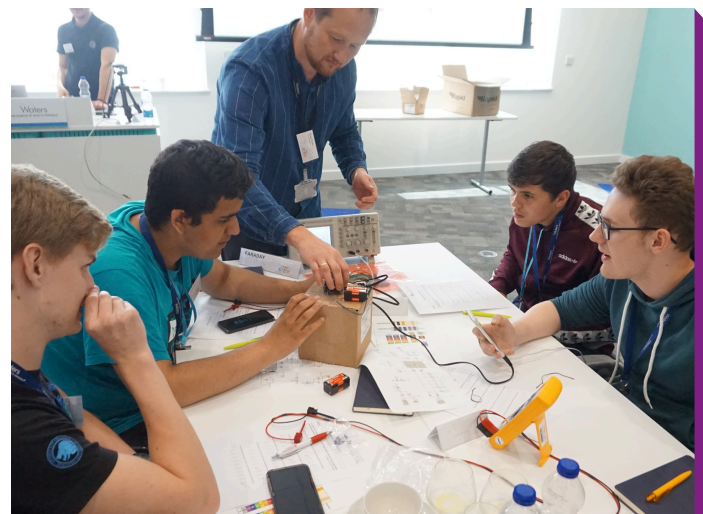
The project is tailored to college students aged 16-19 studying relevant courses that would be well suited to the company.

Businesses can work with Salford Foundation and colleges in selecting the date, length and content of the workshops. We encourage businesses to add an activity that showcases the type of role available where possible. Ask us for help in planning this if you'd like!

This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase the businesses, and provide students with an understand of real world experiences of working within a company.

We are particularly interested in working with businesses who can showcase careers and industry sectors that are up-and-coming, such as:

- Sustainability / Green Jobs
- Digital and Technology (in particular: Cybersecurity, eSports, AI and VR, etc.)



SUPPORT A SCHOOL

As a business, if you feel passionate about working with a particular school that isn't featured in this brochure, we have the opportunity for you to support an activity (or activities) in that school. Through partnering with Salford Foundation, we can organise and facilitate one of our flagship activities for you whilst encouraging your staff and our network of volunteers to attend.

We'll also make a huge noise on social media to show the impact you are having by supporting the activity, as well as adding you to our website as one of our official corporate partners.

If you want to achieve your own corporate social responsibilities in your area or in a particular school, join many others who have already done so by getting in touch with us by email at raisingaspirations@salfordfoundation.org.uk

