## MAKING PROSTART/INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS WORK

### TEACHER’S RESPONSIBILITY

- Communicate with business partner at regular intervals
- Encourage students to complete work checklists throughout the year
- Teach skills relevant to the job placement
- Help work through problems students might be having on the job
- Invite business partner to be involved at events

### STUDENTS RESPONSIBILITY

- Treat job and employer as an authority
- Behave professionally
- Complete work checklist as tasks are learned
- Communicate with employer and teacher
- Be open minded to learning new things

### HOW YOUR BUSINESS CAN GET INVOLVED

- Host a tour of your business or local restaurant
- Be a guest speaker or lecturer on a topic
- Cover competition expenses or donate equipment/supplies
- Participate in practices for competition lending your experience
- Hire students for employment opportunities

### MENTORING A STUDENT

- Communicate clearly and give student feedback
- Build trust with student and model professionalism
- Help student set goals related to their new job
- Encourage positive character traits in your student
- Provide training specific to your tasks

### CHALLENGES

- Student may have a hard time communicating with adults
- Scheduling around other school activities
- Student may not enjoy the work and leave after a few months
- Student may need additional training for specific tasks
- Student may not meet age requirements