**Suggestions for Educators – Career Exploration**

1. **We recommend that educators briefly review** [**www.minntran.org**](http://www.minntran.org) **prior to distributing the assignment**. Even better, would be to briefly explore the website WITH your class. This website is an extremely valuable resource not only for this assignment, but additional information about transportation related career and college pathways, virtual industry tours, and numerous other educator resources.
2. **The assignment is dually designed to be distributed electronically with working hyperlinks, or as a traditional in-person worksheet that can be filled out by hand**. The assignment is intended to completed in one school day – one class period, with a little time homework. This assignment also has a survey we would like the students to fill out at the end. This survey is designed to help us measure our efforts.
3. **We recommend this assignment for high school students (app. grades 9-12) who are in the process of deciding what to do after high school**. The questions are not designed with right or wrong answers in mind necessarily, but instead to 1) provoke more in-depth thought about their post high school futures, and 2) to guide them toward examples of resources that are available to them, like college and scholarship information. More than simple exploration, this assignment will hopefully relevant and practical to students.
4. **Would you like to explore a partnership with industry or collegiate professionals from the transportation sectors?** The success of the TCOE is based upon college and industry partnerships. These strong relationships often result in fruitful and meaningful connections between local colleges and industry with area high schools. Those connections can result in sharing of resources, industry tours, work-based learning opportunities, classroom presentations, and professional development. Please [contact us](mailto:minntran@dctc.edu?subject=Exploring%20Partnership%20Inquiry) if you would like to know more about ways we can help you and your students
5. **Let us teach for a day!** Please [contact us](mailto:minntran@dctc.edu?subject=Teach%20For%20A%20Day%20Inquiry) if you would be interested in letting us visit your classroom (virtually or in-person) for a more interactive and in-depth discussion of college and career pathways in transportation. These presentations are at no-cost to school and vary in length to accommodate class periods of varying lengths.
6. **Connect with other Minnesota State Centers of Excellence!** Our partner Centers cover the sectors of Advanced Manufacturing, Agriculture, Energy, Engineering, Healthcare, and Information Technology. You can explore more about them [here](mailto:https://minnstate.edu/coe/index.html).
7. **Contact us!** We would love to know more about who is using these resources and what else we can do for you. Please email us at [minntran@dctc.edu](mailto:minntran@dctc.edu), like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/MinnesotaStateTCOE/) at, follow us on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/minnesotastatetcoe/?hl=en), sign up for our [newsletter](https://minntran.us17.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=bc82b453ca97acd090ad1834f&id=a7d6eb8e2a), and subscribe to our [YouTube channel](https://bit.ly/TCOEYTC)!
8. If you have feedback for this assignment, please email us at [minntran@dctc.edu](mailto:minntran@dctc.edu)

Thank you for all you do! Good Luck!