**Suggestions for Educators – Virtual Tours**

1. **We recommend that educators briefly review** [**www.minntran.org**](http://www.minntran.org) **prior to distributing the assignments**. Even better, would be to briefly explore the website WITH your class. This website is an extremely valuable resource not only for these assignments, but for information about transportation related career and college pathways and numerous educator resources.
2. **Each 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**. 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 consider the first group of reflection questions to be developmentally appropriate for middle school aged students and beyond**. Both watching the video, and answering the first group of reflection questions, can typically be completed within a single class period.
4. **The additional reflection questions are far more relevant for high school students (app. grades 10-12) 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, 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.
5. **Would you like to explore a partnership with industry or collegiate professionals from the videos?** 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 if you would like to know more about ways we can help you and your students
6. **Let us teach for a day!** Please contact us if you would be interested in letting us visit your classroom 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.
7. **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.
8. **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, 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)! If you have feedback for this assignment, please email us at minntran@dctc.edu

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Best Wishes!