

The **Southwest Minnesota Career Expo** is a highly interactive career information and exploration event for high school sophomores/juniors in the Minnesota West Carl Perkins Consortium. Hundreds of business, agency and education volunteers work together to provide this opportunity. Each year the number and type of interactive exhibits has expanded to better meet the needs of schools and

The event will be held from 9:15am – 12:25pm on:

- September 25 at Minnesota West Community and Technical College, Worthington
- September 24 at Southwest Minnesota State University, Marshall



students from the region.

Southwest Minnesota Workforce Development Board Southwest Initiative Foundation



- 7am: Exhibitor Set-up
- 9:15am 12:25pm: Exhibits, Game Show, Campus Tours/Information
- 12:25pm 1pm: Event Tear-down
- Schools are required to transport students to the event and provide a 25:1 supervision ratio.
- The event is free to Minnesota West Carl Perkins Consortium high schools.

Expo Audience

- Thirty-eight high schools in Minnesota West Carl Perkins Consortium
 - 1,000 students will be attending at Minnesota West Worthington
 - o 1,200 students will be attending at Southwest Minnesota State Marshall
- Undecided college majors, Adult Basic Education participants and job seekers are also invited to visit the exhibit area.

Expo Activities

- Fast-paced 45-minute Career Game Show with interactive audience polling
- 45-minute college tours and information
- 70 minutes of interactive exhibits (80-100 at each site) with industry, college and agency staff available as resources for students. The interactive exhibits are also open to adults.

Expo Partners

Minnesota West Carl Perkins Consortium; SW MN Workforce Development Board; Southwest Initiative Foundation; Minnesota West Community and Technical College; Southwest Minnesota State University; Southwest Minnesota Private Industry Council, SWWC Service Cooperative; Marshall Area Chamber of Commerce; Worthington Area Chamber of Commerce; Marshall, Montevideo and Worthington CareerForce; Department of Employment and Economic Development; and many regional businesses and service agencies. For more information go to www.swwc.org/careerexpo.

