I believe career and technical education helps students articulate career interests through professional connections, industry resources and scenario-based experiences. Integrating written curriculum and hands-on learning experiences through CTE promotes self-expression and career readiness, which allows students to explore future career options.

"Hi, I'm Dr. Bickford from Aspire Rehabilitation Hospital." At first I didn't know what to expect, but then my teacher explained that a physical therapist would be talking to us about his journey in medicine. He began to explain how he went into college not knowing what he wanted to do. His academic advisor encouraged him to take a test and use it to determine where he would be most successful with his skill set. Then he explained his journey working as a physical therapist. Here I learned the importance of applying new learning to develop my future career path, and I gained a valuable mentor that helped me gain insight on what it's like in the workforce. This professional development experience allowed me to see the impact of bridging written curriculum and industry exposure to ensure we enter the workforce as skilled workers.

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