

**Connecting PLTW Launch
Learning Experiences
Through Community
Collaboration**

Meet the Facilitators



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Agenda

- Welcome!
- What is community collaboration?
- How have you connected PLTW Launch to your community?
- Showcase
- Teacher Guide
- Make a plan
- Q & A



What is community collaboration?

Community relationships can strengthen your PLTW Launch program. Through community collaboration, students can:

- Make career connections
- Apply skills in a real-world setting
- Deepen their understanding of a topic
- Develop an awareness of community opportunities, resources, and issues



How have you connected PLTW Launch learning experiences through community collaboration?

- First discuss with your small group.
- Record each of your ideas on a separate sticky note.
- Place your sticky notes on the appropriate grade level chart paper that is hanging up around the room.



Showcase

Eryca Card and Stephanie Valli



Teacher Guide

Most PLTW Launch modules have recommendations for making community connections.

- Teacher Guide
 - Introduction to the Module
 - Family and Community Relationships

Consider ways in which you can establish community relationships throughout the Life Cycles and Survival module. To encourage career connections in the classroom, invite speakers, such as veterinarians, entomologists, park naturalists, and bee keepers to talk about life cycles and the survival of species.

Tip: Prepare visitors for ways to best work with young children, such as:

- Bring items for students to touch
- Use visuals
- Keep dialogue short and simple
- Introduce new terms

Make a Plan

- Choose a PLTW Launch module
- Outline/plan for establishing community relationships
- Make sure to add where you are located
- Add these ideas on sticky notes and place on chart paper around the room



Q & A



Thank you for joining us!

View more examples of community collaboration on this [Jamboard](#)

