

PROGRAM RESOURCE/IDEA PITCHES & SPEED DATING

How does it work?

1. Each Program/Organization representative will have 2.5 minutes to “pitch” (think Shark Tank) their topic to the whole group to entice participants to come and visit with them during speed dating sessions.
2. After all pitches have been made, the Program/Organization representatives move to different areas of the room and YOU CHOOSE who to visit during the first session or “date.”
3. Each “date” consists of 7-8 minutes of explaining their idea/resource/topic with the rest of the time saved for questions and answers for a total of a 15-minute round.
4. After the 15 minutes is up, the Program/Organization representatives stay in place and you move to your next “date” and repeat Step 3.
5. We will hold three “date” sessions so you are able to hear and learn about multiple ideas and resources available.

Program Idea/Resource Pitches



CHARISM: You Can Do the Rubik's Cube is an organization that exists to get sets of Rubik's Cubes into classrooms and afterschool programs. Through their lending library, site directors have access to lesson plans, strategies for struggling students, ideas about how to structure the solving process, and even templates to create mosaics out of hundreds of Cubes. Their solving guide makes solving the Cube feel much more attainable and it is so cool to see when your students finally solve it!

- Courtney Quist, CHARISM Site Director [CQuist@charism.org | charism.org]



EduTech: Ask ME connects students to professionals across North Dakota. Through Skype, students are able to learn about different careers and ask questions of those professionals. (Presented today by Tabitha Lang, EduTech)

- Jill Baird, EduTech IT Specialist [jill.baird@k12.nd.us | edutech.nodak.edu/askme]



Gateway to Science: As a hands-on science center you can find afterschool programming including STEM Adventure clubs and summer camps, as well as full-day mini-camps during school breaks. Educators help students “choose their own adventure” by customizing lesson plans to fit their interests.

- Beth Demke, Gateway to Science Executive Director [beth@gscience.org | gatewaytoscience.org]



North Valley 21CCLC Program: A Developing Leaders class is offered at North Valley which extends into afterschool. Students identified projects to meet the needs of the Grafton community, established a leadership team of community members and connected with businesses to build workforce skills and self-confidence.

- Lori Zahradka, North Valley 21CCLC Director [lori.zahradka@k12.nd.us | northvalleyctc.org]



Inspire Innovation Lab: Our tried and true twist on education and push for hands on real life experiences involves the community and community business' 100%. We have been creeping our way into a digital world where very little is done in person, by hand, or by a small local professional.

- Carrie Leopold, Founder/Owner [carrie@inspireinnovationlab.org | inspireinnovationlab.org]



PBS Education: Expand your after-school resources by powering up with PBS. Tap into STEAM activity ideas, coding camp plans, and Odd Squad adventures. Sample three FREE resources from PBS and connect to a wealth of support.

- Darcy Bakkegard, PBS PD Coach [dbakkegard@prairiepublic.org | prairiepubliceducation.org]



Center for Rural Health: Resources available for North Dakota educators, after school programs, and other organizations and facilities to aid in the promotion of health careers and healthy living.

- Kylie Nissen, Senior Project Coordinator [kylie.nissen@med.und.edu | ruralhealth.und.edu]