

**Title** - We are looking for volunteers to work with Durham Education Business Partnership at a number of career fairs throughout County Durham.

**Article** - Careers fairs are events that are highly valued by schools as they are an excellent way to raise young people's awareness of different occupations in both the private and public sector.

The aim is to inform pupils about the variety of career opportunities available to them by showing examples of what will be expected of someone in a particular job and what qualifications are required.

The dates, locations and format of the events are listed below and usually take place in the school hall. Volunteers are asked to give a short presentation which includes an overview of their organisation and the types of careers available. Wherever possible it is recommended that volunteers bring along any equipment or materials used in the workplace which will allow the pupils to participate in an interactive task. For example former events have had pupils building a brick wall, making smoothies, completing team tasks and quizzes.

Date	School	Start time	End time	Year group	No of students	Format of event
17 /11/14	Sedgefield	08.45	15.15	Yr 7,8 9.10 & 11	900	Carousel – 8 minute sessions
10/12/14	North Durham Academy - Stanley	08.45	15.20	Yr 9 & 11	400	Carousel – 8/10 minutes sessions
12/12/14	Durham Johnstone School – Durham City	08.45	14.45	Yr 9	240	Carousel – 8/10 minutes sessions
05/03/15	Durham Johnstone School – Durham City	08.45	14.45	Yr 8	240	Carousel 20 minute workshops
18/06/15	North Durham Academy - Stanley	08.45	15.20	Yr 10 & 12	200	20 min workshops am – Yr 12 8 min sessions pm – Yr 10
26/06/15	Park View School – Chester le Street	09.00	15.35	Yr 9	240	Carousel – 10 minutes sessions
03/07/15	St Bede's - Lanchester	09.00	12.00	Yr 10	250	4 x 30 workshops
09/07/15	The Hermitage – Chester le street	10.00	14.00	Yr 10	170	Carousel – 8 minutes sessions

These are excellent opportunities for you to enhance your communication and presentation skills to an enthusiastic yet sometimes challenging audience. This will also allow you to connect with schools in your local community and help to make a difference. And as an additional bonus all of these opportunities will go towards your 5 a year learning and development target.

To express an interest please contact Anna Bradley with your preference

If you have any questions please contact Ann White