



## Career Exploration and Innovation: Grades 6-8

### A GUIDE FOR YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS

This is no ordinary career exploration curriculum! It's a journey that takes students through the creative process, and along the way, they discover, research, and innovate a career.

#### Youth will:

- Practice creative thinking
- Think like an entrepreneur
- Communicate like a professional
- Use technology for effective inquiry
- Establish and leverage networks

#### Teachers receive:

- Instructor Guide
- Digital & Print Student Workbook
- Interactive, virtual teaching tools

“Employers require creative and problem-solving skills and an ability to adapt to changes.”

- National Education Agency



VentureLab is a nonprofit organization that is helping create the next generation of diverse innovators and changemakers through entrepreneurial learning. We believe that entrepreneurship is about more than starting a business: it's a way of thinking and doing! Learn more at [www.venturelab.org](http://www.venturelab.org)!

Bring Career Exploration and Innovation to your students!

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## Career Exploration and Innovation Program Milestones

Unlock the full potential of entrepreneurial education with our flexible programs. Complete milestones in *Prepare*, *Implement*, and *Time-Savers* at your own pace and preferred order.

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| <b>Train</b>  | <b>Prepare</b>   |
| <b>Time:</b> 60 minutes - 3 hours<br><i>Live, virtual FUN with a VentureLab Certified Trainer</i>           | <b>Time:</b> 60 minutes<br><i>Gather materials and receive your custom schedule</i>          |
| <b>Implement</b>  | <b>Time Savers</b>   |
| <b>Time:</b> Flexible 1 week - 1 semester<br><i>Use the Instructor Guide and Student Playbooks to teach</i> | <b>Time:</b> 15-30 Minutes<br><i>You're not alone! Meet with VentureLab to problem solve</i> |
| <b>Culminating Event</b>  | <b>Program Report</b>  |
| <b>Time:</b> 60 minutes - 4 hours<br><i>Students present and/or exhibit their work</i>                      | <b>Time:</b> 15 Minutes<br><i>Give student survey<br/>Receive data and feedback</i>          |

This journey can be repeated with full resources from VentureLab during a program license term.

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