Career Connected Learning is a continuum of career opportunities starting early with career awareness and exploration, and continuing through high school and beyond with career preparation and career launch experiences.

**Career Awareness: Learning About Work**
Focuses on a wide variety of potential careers and usually involves one-time interactions between groups of students and professionals.

**Activities Might Include:**
- Career Fair
- Worksite Tour
- Career Presentation (Panel + Speaker)
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**Career Exploration: Learning for Work**
Provides short-term direct interactions with professionals and offers opportunities to explore career options that motivates and informs students' decisions about future career experiences.

**Activities Might Include:**
- Networking Event
- Job Shadow
- Career Prep Workshop
- Informational Interview
- Industry-based Design Challenge
- Career Info Embedded in Gen Ed Class

**Career Preparation: Learning Through Work**
Includes extended direct interaction with professionals in workplace settings and provides supervised application of skills and knowledge. Career preparation often, but not exclusively, occurs through Career and Technical Education (CTE).

**Activities Might Include:**
- Cooperative Worksite Learning
- Extended Learning
- Pre-Apprenticeship
- 90+ Hour Internship
- HS Work-Based Learning Course w/Dual Credit
- 2-yr & 4-yr Credentials with Work-Based Learning

**Career Launch: Learning in Work**
Prepares youth for employment in specific occupations through meaningful on-the-job experience that includes attainment of or progress towards a high value credential beyond a high school diploma.

**Activities Might Include:**
- Registered Apprenticeship
- Career Prep Workshop
- Industry-based Design Challenge
- Career Info Embedded in Gen Ed Class
- Career Fair
- Worksite Tour
- Career Presentation (Panel + Speaker)

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