



Jan Minami of AMI Concepts is committed to Career Readiness—increasing the connection between what students learn in school and what they need to succeed in the workplace, effectively narrowing the gap between theory and practice. She brings extensive knowledge of the business community and experience working in schools and with students.

## Career Readiness

Career Readiness is a hot topic because most jobs, and certainly most good jobs (solid wage, pathway for advancement), require education and training beyond high school. In a concerted effort to meet the increasing demands of the workforce, the education community has responded with the Common Core State Standards, and in California, the Local Control Funding Formula, in an effort to prepare students for college and careers.



## Curriculum

There are many ways that real world experience can be integrated into classes within existing curriculum.

Academic approaches can and should be augmented with specific skills required in the work world like personal story writing, effective communication skills and maintaining a personal database. In addition, surveys of larger employers within the community will identify specific skills that can be incorporated.

## Community Collaboration

One of the most important elements of a strong Career Readiness program is the connection and support of the local community.

AMI Concepts can develop a Business Advisory Panel, establish business and service club

partnerships, arrange local speakers for classroom situations and career events, and create job shadowing and internship programs.

## Training

Coordination with teachers, parents, and counselors is essential to an

effective College and Career Readiness program.

Introducing the business world can include training and supporting counselors in real-world career preparedness, assisting teachers in integration of curriculum additions, and preparing correlated materials for teachers, counselors, and parents.

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