Our community and business partners provide an important part of each students’ education by sharing their own education pathways, technical knowledge required for success in the world of work, and opportunities for students to participate in the wide variety of work-based learning.

**Clairemont is committed to providing the next generation of industry professionals with education and experience that will uniquely position them for careers upon graduation.**

Below are just some of the ways you can become involved with Clairemont and its Academy students.

**SPEAK**

Industry and community partners can serve as guest speakers to students in career pathway courses related to their industry, providing examples of potential career opportunities is a great learning experience for students and a valuable teaching tool for teachers. Some of our partners even volunteer to review résumés and help students by participating in mock interviews.

**ADVISE**

Use your industry expertise to inform and educate our teachers and students on best practices and skills that they will need to be successful in your industry. Advise student teams as they do real-world projects related to their industry theme or evaluate student projects to let them know what real life expectations are in your industry. Pathways also have a general advisory committee that may assist with fundraising, obtaining relevant work based learning experiences, sharing contacts, etc.

**MENTOR**

Make a difference in the life of a student. Clairemont facilitates a structured mentoring program for Academy students, pairing industry volunteers with small student groups or individuals for monthly, on-campus meetings. Mentors have a chance to guide students through topics such as goal-setting, time-management, college exploration, resume and interview skills, and more.

**SUPERVISE**

Connections with community and business partners are an important part of Linked Learning. One of the highest levels of involvement is hosting a student intern. Through unpaid or paid industry internships, students gain an impressive résumé of practical work experience, and employers find motivated, well-prepared students who excel as student employees and as potential future hires after graduation. The experience that students receive through this experience can be transformative.

**SUPPORT**

Many of our partners choose to make contributions to our academies, either financially or through in-kind donations, to enhance the learning experiences for our students.

*To learn more about how you can become a Chieftain Industry Partner, please contact Academy Coordinator Liz Rush at erush@sandi.net*