

## Teachers say:

*"During the past two years the Resource Bank has enabled me to welcome biweekly speakers from all walks of life to our classroom. They have made memorable contributions. We have heard life stories that were inspiring and invaluable, stories that no one teacher could possibly relay."*

—Colonel Zadok Magruder High School

*"The police officer's presentation was so in tune with what we had been studying that it was as if he had been teaching the unit all along! He held the children's attention and amazed them by 'lifting' a set of fingerprints from a chair. This demonstration was the ultimate magic show for third graders."*

—North Chevy Chase Elementary School

*"Our Resource Bank speaker was a good female minority role model. All of the students were fascinated by the demonstration on liquid chromatography."*

—Parkland Middle School

*"The students were enthralled by the Native American woman who came to share her heritage with them. She explained her customs, sang, and taught the children a circle dance."*

—Mill Creek Towne Elementary School

*"The speaker made statistics 'real' for my students...and brainstormed with me about future projects."*

—Flower Valley Elementary School

*"The Resource Bank helped find a mentor for one of our students who could only be reached through his love of flying and airplanes. The pilot who spoke with this student helped him understand what steps he must take to realize his dream."*

—Springbrook High School



## THE CONNECTION RESOURCE BANK

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### **The Connection Resource Bank**

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# Teachers... Check It Out!

## Connection Resource BANK





## Education Can Come Alive!

The Connection Resource Bank links your students with experienced professionals who enjoy their work and like sharing it. These volunteers encourage young people to take challenging courses to prepare for postsecondary education and/or the world of work.

Each month hundreds of Resource Bank volunteers serve as role models for students, providing practical examples of work outside of the classroom.

You can check out resources like these from the Bank:

- ✓ A sports doctor working with a patient in a high school classroom, explaining knee joint repair to science students and bringing medical technology to life.
- ✓ A female pilot encouraging sixth grade girls to plan ahead for careers in aeronautics.



- ✓ A hospital staff conducting a "grand tour" of their facility for high school seniors interested in health care employment opportunities.
- ✓ A "mechanical mailman" escorting kindergarten students around a large corporation as they learn about robotics.
- ✓ A biologist specializing in sickle cell disease assisting a high school student who is studying the oxygen levels in hemoglobin.
- ✓ Two stockbrokers creating a mock trading market to help middle school students polish their math skills and learn about financial investments.



- ✓ A Hispanic scientist speaking to high school students about improving the environment through careers in chemistry.

### Check Out the Resource Bank

Montgomery County Public Schools teachers can use the Connection Resource Bank database to access the many volunteer resources of the community. Check us out on FirstClass. You can find us under Conferences, Curriculum, Connection Resource Bank. For more information contact the Connection Resource Bank coordinator at 301-279-3100 or [www.mcps-communityinfo.org](http://www.mcps-communityinfo.org).

### The Connection Resource Bank can find all this for you:

**PERSONNEL:**  
speakers  
mentors  
consultants  
judges  
career interviews

**MATERIALS:**  
printed information  
equipment/supplies  
audiovisuals  
Web sites

**SITE RESOURCES:**  
student internships  
shadow programs  
field trips

**TEACHER OPPORTUNITIES:**  
training  
conferences  
seminars

### The Connection Resource Bank...

...is *your* link to community resources that enrich instruction and provide exciting, hands-on learning experiences for you and your students.

