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Share Your Career Knowledge

Be a Volunteer Mentor, Coach, or Business Resource to Batavia High School Business Entrepreneurship Students

August 8, 2017 (Batavia, IL) - Batavia High School's Incubator Entrepreneurship Program from incubatoredu offers sophomores, juniors, and seniors a real entrepreneurial experience. During class, students create and fully develop their own product or service. The year-long program culminates with a pitch by student teams to local business professionals. (Watch BHS student entrepreneurs give their best pitch to local professionals at Pitch Night 2017: <http://bit.ly/Pitch2017>.)

To help facilitate this unique learning opportunity, Batavia High School INCubator Entrepreneurship program instructor, Dennis Piron, and INCubator program chair Robert Hubbard are seeking entrepreneurs and business experts in the community to serve as volunteer coaches, mentors, and business resources. Volunteers work with the classroom teacher and play a critical role in guiding student teams through the course.

Mentors: Assigned to one team of students and follow this team through the entire course, providing feedback and encouragement. Mentors connect with students weekly—either during class or outside of class via small-group meetings, email, video calls, etc.

Coaches: Provide authentic business expertise in a specific area. Coaches come into the classroom for a short period of time (one to five days total) to provide students with real-world context for a specific curricular area (e.g., marketing, finance, business law, etc.) The coach and classroom teacher plan and present together.

Business Resource: As-needed volunteers for business networking, judging pitch competitions, hosting on-site student visits, preparing INCubator students for presentations, speaking at BHS career fair, and more.

Individuals interested in the role of mentor, coach, and/or business resource volunteer should complete the brief form at <http://bit.ly/2u4jCet>.

For more information about the INCubator Entrepreneurship Program at Batavia High School, visit <https://bps101.net/programs/incubator-bhs>.

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