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Business partnerships are a success...

ROP is successful because it ...

Responds to industry demands

Advisory boards meet at least once annually to offer advice to ROPs.

Provides hands-on training

Hundreds of businesses act as local job training sites.

Draws teachers from industry

Instructors come to ROP with at least five years of recent industry experience.

"I currently have three associates who were ROP students here and they learned maybe 15 jobs. I'm now a KayBee training store manager, and I got my start as an ROP student. I probably wouldn't be here today if it weren't for ROP."

*Kisha Turner, Training Store Manager
KayBee Toys, West Covina*

"As far as computers, ROP students are far ahead of us. They actually help me with my business getting bigger."

*Mike Callahan, Vice President,
Salomon Smith Barney, San Diego*

"We've been working with the ROP for years. We've hired more than 50% of the students that have come through ROP training."

*Traycee Mayer, General Manager
Holiday Inn, Buena Park*

"Of my ten employees, eight of them are ROP graduates. I'm the real winner in this situation. It's our responsibility as professionals to give back to the community."

*Lawrence Kosmin, D.V.M.
Tustin Avenue Veterinary Hospital, Orange*

"With [ROP students] coming into the store and working with instructors, we get to handpick who we are going to hire."

*Karen St. Louis, Manager
Kmart, Riverside*

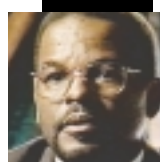
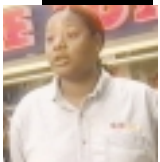
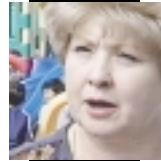
"Students help us in giving care to patients—it's truly a positive. We like to have the ROP students in our hospital. It is our way of being part of the community."

*Mary Ann Gentile, Director of Education
Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital, Whittier*

"ROP students are more likely to graduate from high school. They are more likely to go on to post-secondary. They are more likely to have a good job whether they are going to post-secondary or straight into the job market." (Based on statistical research.)

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The Mission

To provide quality career programs which contribute to students' educational achievement and the economic development of California through career guidance, employment training, job development and other educational support services for high school students and adults.



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