Business and industry partners continue to grow with just over 4,700 business partners in FY19. These partners took on a variety of roles, including hosting students on internships and job shadows, speaking to classes, offering students with interactive opportunities at career events, and providing company tours. Many partners also participated in career fairs and became members of advisory councils.

David Clark, P.E., a Mechanical Engineer at West Plains Engineering, a valued WLC partner for over eight years, explains the value of hosting these types of internships.

"Providing internships through Workplace Learning Connection has been a great experience. You get to introduce the future of the workforce to your company and industry. Every time you teach others you have the opportunity to learn and build your own understanding as well."

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