

# **From Exploration to Evidence:** How Micro-Credentials Turn Career Curiosity into Work-Based Readiness. ▲



# How well do you know Find Your Grind?



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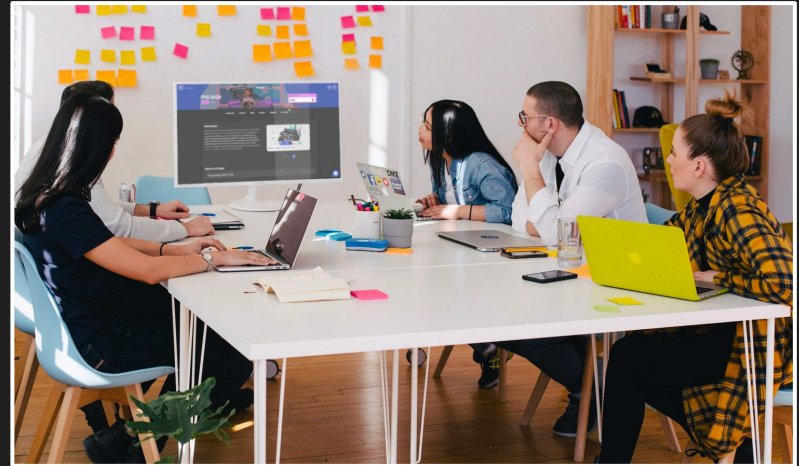
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I can do your job, Dan!

# We are preparing students for an ever-changing world.

## WBL District Challenges

- Engagement + Soft Skills
- WBL & Pathway Clarity
- Industry Access



**(Knowledge + Skills) × Mindset =**

**Success**



- Self Awareness
- Social Awareness
- Career awareness
- Action Awareness
- Social & Emotional
- Durable
- Employability
- Technical
- Self-Confidence
- Growth
- Ownership
- Resilience

# Micro-credential vs. Industry Certification

## MICRO-CREDENTIAL

### Proof of Specific Skills

Earned through **applied experience**, a micro-credential validates a targeted, focused competency — demonstrating that you can perform a particular task or skill in a real-world context.

- Narrow, skill-specific focus
- Earned through hands-on application
- Stackable toward broader qualifications

Think of it as...

A **micro-credential** is a building block — proof you've mastered a specific skill through doing and validated interest in an industry.

## INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

### Validation of Full Professional Readiness

An industry certification signals **comprehensive professional readiness** in an entire field — recognized by employers as a mark of complete, job-ready expertise.

- Broad, field-wide coverage
- Validates end-to-end professional competency
- Recognized across the industry

While...

An **industry certification** is the complete picture — confirmation you're fully prepared for a professional role.

# Closing the Gap Between Exploration and WBL Readiness



These experiences provide educators a practical way to turn career exploration into something real, measurable, and engaging — without adding more to their plate. It helps identify student strengths, increase engagement, and personalize learning.

# Micro-Credentials + Work-Based Learning: A Powerful Amplifier

Don't just track. Help your students show up more prepared, more confident, and more aligned.

## Pathway Clarity Before Placement

Students test careers before internships or pathways, leading to better-fit placements and stronger commitment.

## Preparation for WBL Experiences

Builds baseline skills and confidence so students enter internships and job shadows ready to contribute from day one.

## Expands Access & Equity

Reaches students who can't access in-person WBL through virtual, scalable "try before you commit" experiences.

## Supplements Existing Programs

Fills gaps where programs lack industry credentials or experiences are limited — providing stackable skill-building alongside CTE pathways.

# Where Can You Find Micro-credentials?



Online Learning Providers

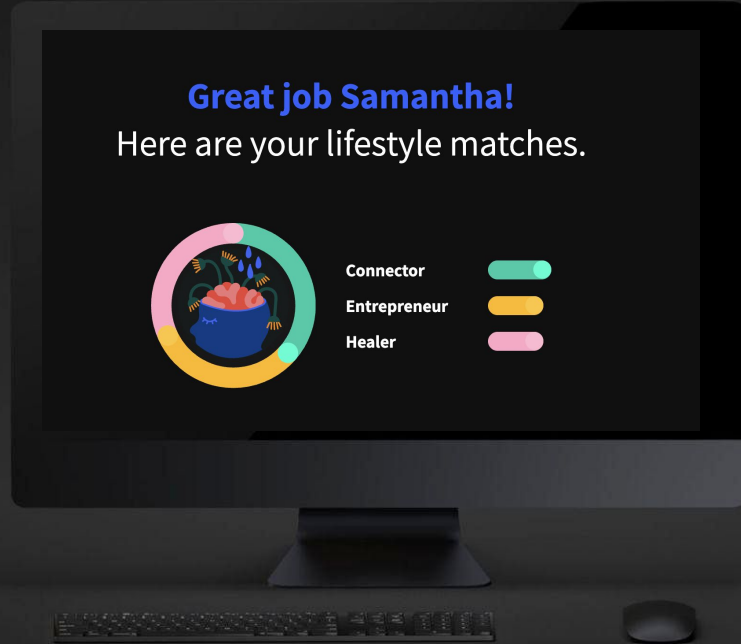


Nonprofits & Workforce  
Development Organizations



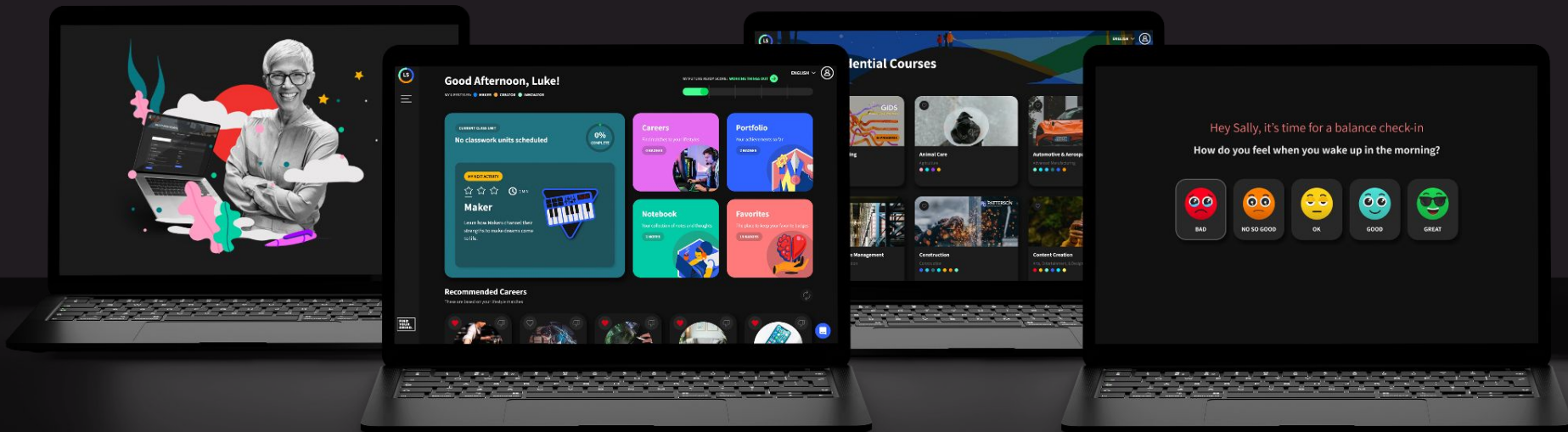
Dedicated K-12 Platforms  
(Exploration + Skill-Building)

The New Way



It's not about **what** you want to be. It's **WHO** you want to be.

**FIND  
YOUR  
GRIND.**



## Professional Development

Educator Development  
& Community

## Curriculum & Exploration

Self Discovery & Life  
Skills

## Industry Courses

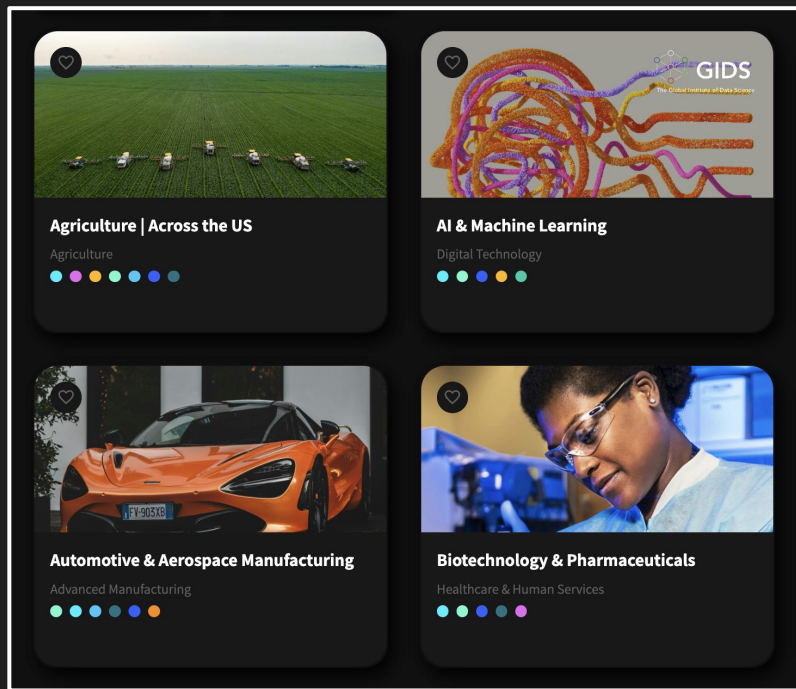
Application &  
Pathway Confidence

## Mental Health

Sustainability  
& Wellbeing

# Introducing Future Pro

- Short (4–8 hour), **industry-backed micro-credentials**
- Students explore careers **through real-world tasks**
- **Competency-based + performance-based**
- Flexible, on-demand, **student-driven experiences**



## Discover Your Lifestyles (assessment only - 3 minutes)



## Assessment + Experience

- [fyghigh.findyourgrind.com](https://fyghigh.findyourgrind.com)
- Enter in any email
- Select student
- Use code: **DVV8P**