**Classroom Connect**

Event Lead & Volunteer Resources

Questions for Panelists

*Introductions*

* Introduce yourself to the group. Use these starter questions to help the students get to know you a bit more.
  + What is your name? Where are you located? What is your role at HCA Healthcare?
* Share a personal anecdote - (i.e. Why do you think mental wellness education is important? or What is your favorite coping strategy to incorporate during a stressful day?

*Sample questions for conversation. HCA Healthcarecan moderate this as a panel discussion with team members in different careers OR consider bringing HR to speak to the different career paths that exist within a large healthcare system.*

* How did you get started in your career?
* What makes you the happiest about your job?
* When you look back on your career, can you talk a bit about the path you took to get to where you are today? Were you always in this industry or this department?
* What’s one habit that you think has been helpful in growing as a professional?
* Are you in the career/job you thought you would be in when you were in high school?
* Tell us a bit about your day-to-day responsibilities at your job.

**If high schoolers\*:**

* What are your top 3 tips for being successful in college? (ie schedule/routine, network, show up, try new things, etc)
* What are some life skills that you wish you knew more about during your freshman year of college? (ie budgeting, networking, time management)
* Did you participate in an internship in college? If so, what was the number one thing you learned from that internship?

Tough Student Questions

Q: How much money do you make?

A: If you are not comfortable sharing this information with students, you can always say "I graduated from XX university and have XX degrees. I've worked very hard to achieve a salary that can support myself and my family.

A: The starting salary for someone in this field is approximately XXX. When selecting a path after graduating high school, I encourage you to look at the starting salaries for the major/career field that you are interested in.

**Other tips:**

* If a question is truly inappropriate, you can always direct it back to the teacher. "Mr. /Mrs. XXX can you help me answer that question?" or to the EVERFI MC in the event.
* If questions are coming in through the chat, do not feel obligated to answer every single question. Pick the ones that you are most comfortable with.