

School and College

Case Studies

We asked some of our valued teachers and advisers what they think about Springpod...



Here's what **G, HE/Careers Adviser** with
The Thomas Alleyne Academy  thinks about Springpod...

Tell us why you have encouraged students to complete Springpod experiences?

These tailored employer engagement sessions offer students opportunities of work experience in professional settings outside of school and enhance confidence, communications and team building skills.

What do you like most about Springpod?

The broad spectrum of opportunities available

What do you think your students gain from taking part in Springpod experiences?

Students taken out of their comfort zones and experience interactions with professionals.

Can you tell us any specific examples where you have seen a positive impact of an experience with a particular student or group of students?

Students have enjoyed all their interactions, either virtual or in-person. The experiences have given them information, guidance and advice on how to apply for jobs, what HR recruiters really want to see in a CV and resilience. There are many stages to application processes and they all vary.

Why would you recommend Springpod to other schools and colleges?

Definitely-already done!

Here's what **Jessica, Careers Adviser** with **The Careers People**  thinks about Springpod...

Tell us why you have encouraged students to complete Springpod experiences?

There are lots of industry experiences available and the dashboard helps us to see who has completed what.

What do you like most about Springpod?

Ease and variety

What do you think your students gain from taking part in Springpod experiences?

Skills, taking responsibility, industry insight

How have you used Springpod experiences in your school or college?

For individual students to complete and the career ambassador programme

Why would you recommend Springpod to other schools and colleges?

Students can take part in several experiences to help them learn about different sectors

Here's what **Emma, Work Placement Officer** with **Riverside College**  thinks about Springpod...

Tell us why you have encouraged students to complete Springpod experiences?

Springpod is a great tool that is accessible from many locations for our students, whether that be during their study time at college or at home. Springpod allows our students to gain experience in a variety of areas, not only can they develop their knowledge and skills, but enjoy themselves too. Plus, our students have loved receiving certificates to add to their CV's.

What do you like most about Springpod?

The accessibility for all.

What do you think your students gain from taking part in Springpod experiences?

Deeper knowledge within their subject area, new skills, confidence and insight. As well as a great certificate to add to their CV.

How have you used Springpod experiences in your school or college?

We share the website and specific links with our students. During work experience weeks, we also give students the option to access virtual work experience. Which during February, almost 50 of our students accessed this tool.

Can you tell us any specific examples where you have seen a positive impact of an experience with a particular student or group of students?

A student approached me for guidance after struggling to secure an in-person work experience. I encouraged the student to try out virtual work experience on Springpod and during their work experience week, they gained a total of over 50 hours' worth of online learning. This gave the student confidence in themselves and their own abilities.

Why would you recommend Springpod to other schools and colleges?

Absolutely, 100%

Here's what **Khadija, Careers Coordinator** with **Swanlea School**  thinks about Springpod...

Tell us why you have encouraged students to complete Springpod experiences?

Where in person-work experiences have limited capacities, not all of our young people are able to access these. Virtual work experience has allowed our students to not miss out on industry based work. Many of these virtual programmes have been designed to get students to think critically by completing various, thought provoking activities which has been immensely beneficial for their intellectual and social development.

What do you like most about Springpod?

The platform has a wide variety of work experience programmes which students can immediately access, from working in the NHS to receiving experiences in an office-based environment, and much more.

What do you think your students gain from taking part in Springpod experiences?

The Springpod experiences are positively structured in a way where students are able to exercise a variety of skills that align with what they may do on a day to day basis in a classroom setting. For example, many students have reported that Springpod programmes involve completing assignments, something which is mirrored during curriculum learning.

Can you tell us any specific examples where you have seen a positive impact of an experience with a particular student or group of students?

Students in previous years have completed NHS and Engineering based work experiences with Springpod which they positively spoke about in their UCAS personal statements. Not only were they able to reflect critically on the programmes, but they expressed a personal satisfaction at being able to complete certain activities which helped them to appreciate the industry more to be able to speak out it confidently during a university interview.

Why would you recommend Springpod to other schools and colleges?

Absolutely. Because every type of work experience a young person can think of taking part in will be at the tip of their fingers if they had access to Springpod. Not only can the platform will help many institutions meet many of the Gatsby Benchmarks, but it is also a very easy way for leaders to ensure every young person in a target year group, such as Year 12, can participate in work experience.