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Steps to Agriculinary Collaboration Model

A Replicable AgriCulinary Workforce Model

Align Vision & Outcomes

Youth explore agriculture, culinary, and skilled trade careers

Clear connections between learning experiences and future opportunities

Youth help define what success looks like for their pathway

Build the Collaborative Network

Youth interact with industry professionals, Extension staff, and educators

Mentorship and role modeling from real-world partners

Exposure to collaborative work environments

Implement with Support & Evaluation

Youth practice professionalism, time management, and safety

Reflection on learning and performance

Feedback loops to improve skills and confidence

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Sustain and Scale

Youth serve as ambassadors, peer leaders, or mentors

Clear next steps: certifications, internships, college, apprenticeships

Youth share their experiences and outcomes with others

Replicate

Replicate the partnership structure that support continued workforce engagement with industry and community collaborations.

Co-Design Experiential Learning

Hands-on labs (agriculture practices, food preparation, equipment use)

Team-based projects and real-world challenges

Practice in communication, collaboration, and adaptability

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