

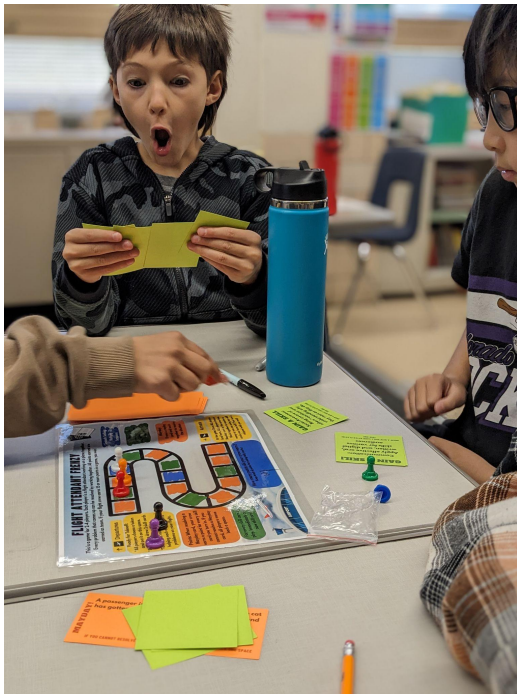


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Career and College Success

4th and 5th graders learn about their RIASEC interests!

Kunsmiller recently partnered with DPS Spark (see below for more info) for a series of 4 lessons with 4th and 5th grade to explore students' potential future career interests. Students learned about the RIASEC framework (below!) and got to choose their top interest codes. Then we explored the 6 interest types through hands-on career simulations. We planted herbs (horticulturist), wrote news articles (journalist), observed wild animals on an animal cam (zoologist), designed our dream rooms (interior designer), and much more. Students had a lot of fun while discovering what kinds of jobs they may prefer to explore as they get older.



What is Spark?

The DPS Spark Early Career Exploration Program partners with Denver Metro area businesses and organizations to expose middle and elementary school students to professional work environments and inspire students to pursue high-demand, high-wage careers they may never have considered prior to participating. Learn more here collegeandcareer.dpsk12.org

Student career interest exploration

Students in DPS learn about their career interests through the RIASEC framework; The RIASEC describes people according to six vocational personalities: Realistic Doers (R), Investigative Thinkers (I), Artistic Creators (A), Social Helpers (S), Enterprising Persuaders (E), Conventional Organizers (C). Most people claim a combination of 2 or 3 themes. To learn more about careers at DPS and take the RIASEC Survey check out the Denver Public Schools Career Guide; [English](#) OR [Spanish](#)