# Cloud Coach | Student Introduction

## What is Cloud Coach?

Cloud Coach is an 7-9 week online mentoring program. It's your chance to connect with a working business professional at a Minnesota company. Each week, you will respond in class to a message written by your mentor. Through Cloud Coach, you will explore possible career paths, set achievable short-term goals, improve your writing skills, and discuss strategies for overcoming obstacles.

#### **Boundaries**

Cloud Coach uses an online platform to facilitate message exchanges. For your safety, the following are not permitted:

- A request to borrow something
- An invitation to an outside event
- Sharing of personal contact info
- A request to join/share social media
- Rude, vulgar or disrespectful statements

### How It Works

Your mentor will write on a new topic each week. Their message will first appear in your email inbox. To reply, you will click on a link in the message, which will open a separate window for you to write and send your message.

### What is my role?

You and your Cloud Coach mentor are taking time out of your week to write thoughtful messages. Here's how you can make the most of the program.

- Be respectful. Present yourself in a professional way.
- Be timely. If you are absent, find a time to write a make-up message.
- Be open. Share who you are and learn more about your mentor, too.
- Be thoughtful. Take time to write the best message you can.

### **Events & Activities**



You'll kick off the program and be introduced to the company your school is partnered with through videos you can watch online.



Your mentor will write to you every week. You will read their message and respond using the online portal.



Students and mentors will "meet" virtually and participate in engaging activities during a one-time, live event called the Virtual Cloud Summit.



