



Minnesota Business Venture

2019 Program Recap

A background image showing two students, a boy and a girl, in a classroom setting. The boy is pointing at a chalkboard with mathematical equations, and the girl is looking at him attentively.

A one-week investment that pays dividends for life

Annual Program Impact



355
students



100
schools



185
volunteers

"My experience this week has been the most fun, frustrating, and best time I have ever had in my life."

-Como Park Senior High School Student

Program Results

- 95% of students say they are more motivated to take steps to achieve success in the future
- 93% of students say they gained a better understanding of how to manage their personal finances
- 90% of students say they have increased their workforce readiness skills, including teamwork, communication, and networking

MBV Speaker Schedule

July 7-12, University of St. Thomas

July 21-26, St. John's University

Sunday - Dare to Dream Day

"Dare to Dream"

Daniel Shannon - Daniel Shannon Speaks
John Thomas - Minnesota Timberwolves and Lynx

"Making it Count"

Adam Cohen - UnitedHealth Group
Anne Losby - Thomson Reuters

Monday - Career Day

"Developing Your Brand"

Michael Keller - Formerly of Pearson Candy Company

Career Skills Breakout Sessions

Christopher Stubbs - Hennepin County
Sara Olson - Allianz Life
Tom Colosimo - Colosimo Career Consulting
Eric Forstrom & Chuck MacArthur - U.S. Bank
Evelena Hillman - Optum
Michael Reeves - Next Steps 2 Success, LLC
Randy Daniels - USI Insurance Services
Julie Hanson - RBC Wealth Management

Career Expo Companies

3M	Shapco Printing
Boston Scientific	Thomson Reuters
Ecolab	UnitedHealth Group
Project Build	Wells Fargo
Radisson Hotel Group	

Tuesday - Entrepreneur Day

"Starting a Business"

Caroline and Isabel Bercaw - Da Bomb Bath Fizzers
Kristi Piehl - Media Minefield

Business Plan Breakout Sessions

Neil Manthe - Securian Financial
Matt Molinaro - Ecolab
Laura Murphy - Alpha Kappa Psi
Allison Rubin - Target

"Great Leadership"

Roz Tsai - Ecolab
Rob Goggins - Great Clips

Wednesday - Financial Freedom Day

"Money and Values"

Nathan Dungan - Share Save Spend LLC
Josiah Kennealy - Normandale Chi Alpha

Financial Literacy Breakout Sessions

John Abston - Wells Fargo
Boz Bostrom and Ben Trinka - College of Saint Benedict
and Saint John's University
Chase Brakke - North Star Resource Group
Stacey Conaway - Famous Dave's of America Inc.
Sara Croymans - University of Minnesota
Mike Erpenbach - Cedar Ridge Wealth Management Group
Jennifer Garbow - University of Minnesota
Debbie Huddleston - Xcel Energy
Heather Kinney - Allstate Insurance
Melissa Muehlbauer - Affinity Plus

Philanthropy Breakout Sessions

Jessica Aleshire - Boston Scientific
Jackie Berry - 3M
Bob Kaitz and Shana Hoffer - BestPrep
Peng Olson - Federated Insurance
Elisa Rasmussen - Xcel Energy
Rachel Schwalbach - C.H. Robinson

Paying for my Lifestyle Breakout Sessions

James Bryan - Cahill Financial Advisors
Ann Erickson - Stearns Bank
April Goldsmith - Royal Credit Union
Mark Hayes
Katherine Heyerdahl - Optum
Debbie Huddleston - Xcel Energy
Neil Manthe - Securian Financial
Yusra Mohamed, Wells Fargo

Thursday - Youth Empowerment Day

"Make a Difference"

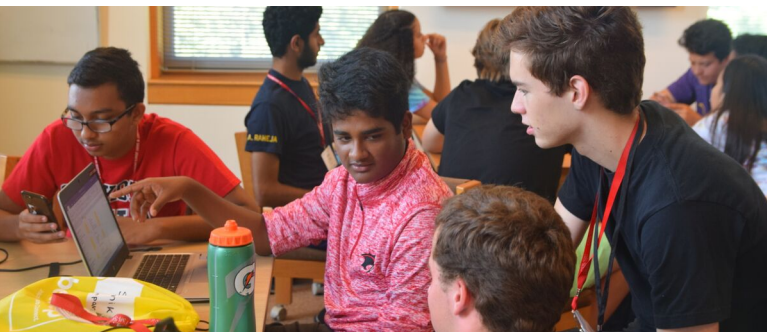
Shyrah Perkins and Stuart Jansen - WE

"Dreams to Action"

Jesse Ross - The Minneapolis Foundation & Mr. Jesse Ross LLC

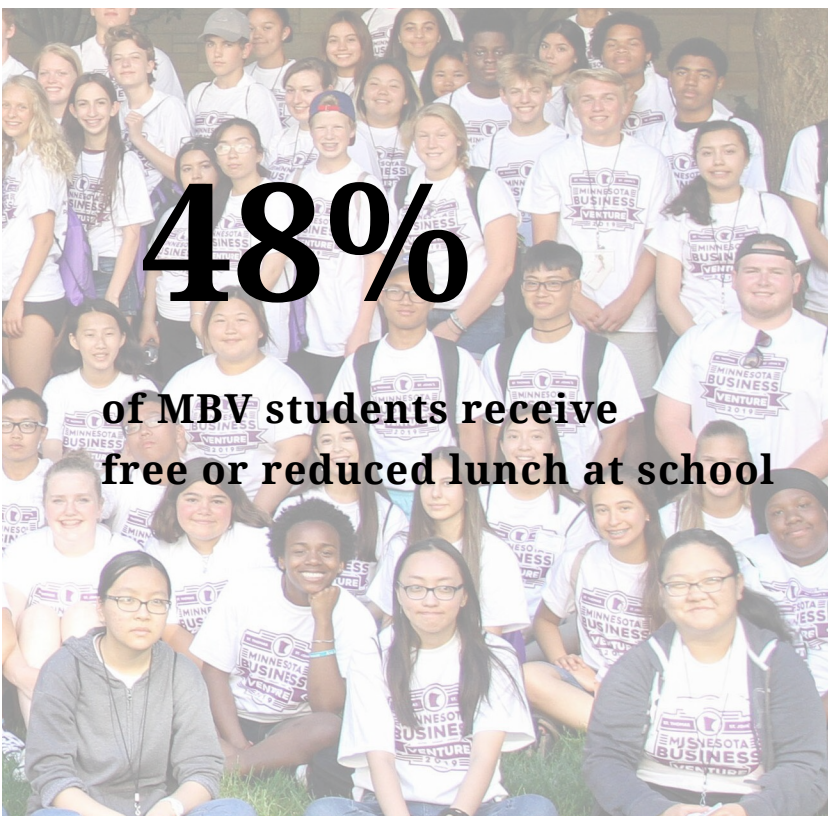
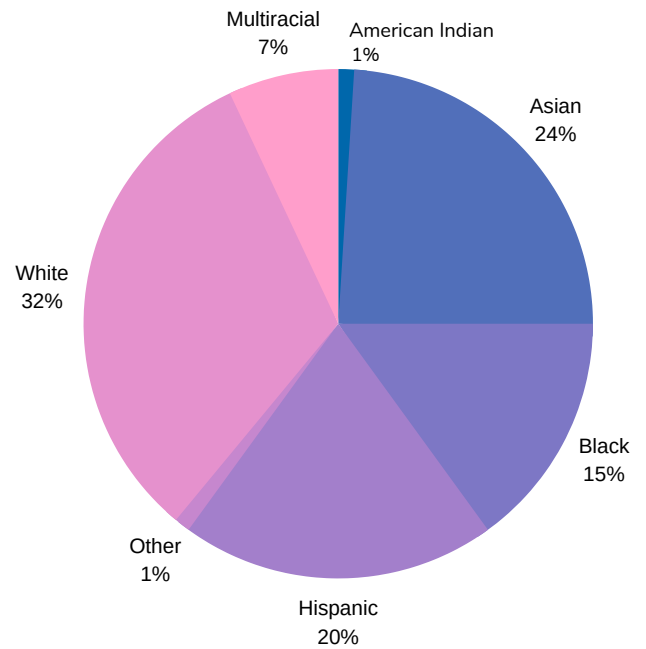
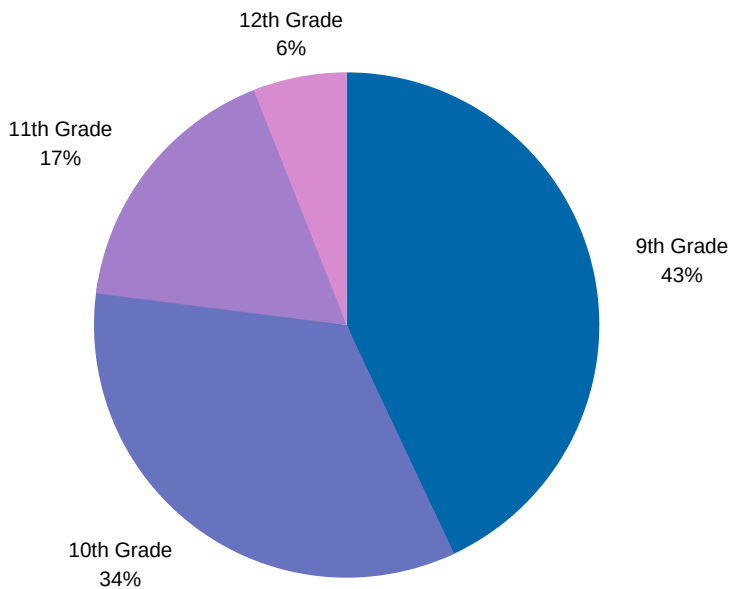
Societal Impact Breakout Sessions

Jennifer Anderson - The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society
David Curtis - Allstate Insurance
Dean Mooney - Feed My Starving Children
Paul Nelson - Allstate Insurance
Mark Racchini - AmeriCorps
Sonny Ricke and Tim Johnson - CentraCare
Becca Seidel - Habitat for Humanity MN
John Wells - AmeriCorps & University of Minnesota
Tim Yanto - Feed My Starving Children



"MBV taught me that values drive success. It isn't about your background or experience, it's about having an idea and dream, and having the confidence to pursue it and make it a reality."

-Rochester Mayo High School Student



Other Camp Activities

- **Business Plan Project and Presentation** - Each group of students (called "companies") spends 8-10 hours developing a new product or service and creating the marketing, finance, and operations plan which they present to a panel of "investors" at the end of the week.
- **Junk Night** - "Out of the box" product development and fun icebreaker
- **Mock Interviews**
- **Speed Networking**
- **Minute-to-Win-It and Camp Jam games**
- **Recreation time**
- **Movie nights**
- **Dance**



"At MBV, I created connections with people and was pushed out of my comfort zone. This week is something I will never forget."

-Benilde-St. Margaret's School Student

MBV 2019 Participating Schools

Academy of Holy Angels
Alexandria Area High School
Annandale Senior High School
Battle Lake High School
Benilde-St. Margaret's School
Bethlehem Academy
Blaine High School
Blake School
Blooming Prairie High School
Bloomington Kennedy High School
Breck School
Buffalo High School
Burnsville High School
Cambridge-Isanti High School
Centennial High School
Century High School
Champlin Park High School
Chesterton Academy
Community of Peace Academy
Como Park Senior High School
Concordia Academy
Coon Rapids High School
Cretin-Derham Hall High School
Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
Crosby-Ironton Secondary
Dassel-Cokato Senior High

DeLaSalle High School
Eagan High School
East Ridge High School
Eastview High School
Eden Prairie Senior High
Edina Senior High School
Edison High School
General Colin L. Powell
Leadership Academy
Groton Area High School
Harding Senior High School
Henry Sibley High School
Hill-Murray School
Hmong College Prep Academy
Holy Family Catholic High School
Hope Academy
Ironton High School
Jefferson High School
Johnson High School
Kelliher Secondary
La Joya Early College High School
Lakeville South High School
Liberty University
Loyola Catholic School

Luverne High School
Mahtomedi High School
Mankato East High School
Maple Grove High School
Maplewood Academy
Math & Science Academy
Mayo High School
Milaca Secondary High
Minnetonka High School
Missouri Military Academy
Moorhead High School
New Richmond High School
North St. Paul High School
North Woods Secondary
Northfield Senior High
Osakis Secondary
Osseo Senior High School
Park Center IB World School
Park High School
Providence Academy
Richfield High School
Robbinsdale Armstrong High School
Robbinsdale Cooper High School
Rockford High School

Roseville Area High School
Sage Academy Charter School
Shakopee Senior High School
South Ridge Secondary
South St. Paul High School
Southwest High School
St. Agnes High School
St. Anthony Village High School
St. Croix Lutheran High School
St. Croix Preparatory Academy
St. John's Preparatory School
St. Louis Park High School
St. Michael-Albertville High School
St. Paul Academy & Summit School
St. Thomas Academy
Sturgis Brown High School
Tartan High School
Totino-Grace High School
Venture Academy
Visitation School
Washington Tech Secondary Magnet
Wayzata High School
Woodbury High School
Worthington High School

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