

## **Virtually led presentation suggestions: for use with volunteers, program partner or site partners**

### **1. Volunteer/Program Partner equipment needs:**

- a. Must have
  - i. Computer with webcam; test beforehand
  - ii. Computer with microphone and speakers; test beforehand
  - iii. Strong bandwidth Wi-Fi (Ethernet cable access may be helpful if internet strength is occasionally spotty)
- b. Optional
  - i. Dual monitors are helpful to see and interact with students while clicking through materials/screen sharing
  - ii. Background: choose a non-distracting background (regular or virtual)
  - iii. Headset or headphones may make audio clearer; computer microphones can be prone to echoes.

### **2. Platform access** (Zoom, Blackboard, Google Meet, etc):

- a. It is helpful if Program Partner hosts the platform and provides support for platform, login, access, and presentation sharing.
- b. If available, consider uploading the presentation to the platform, as it may be easier than email link access. Testing presentation access is essential.
- c. Platform “share screen” can be either:
  - i. Program Partner responsibility
  - ii. Volunteer responsibility
  - iii. Regardless of who is responsible, it is recommended that all program partners and volunteers practice “sharing screen” and being presenter, in case needed.
    - 1. In cases of a team of two volunteers, it is recommended that only one volunteer takes the sharing screen responsibility for each lesson, as switching screen sharing between two volunteers can be distracting.
    - 2. In Zoom, when Sharing Screen, be sure to select **Sharing for Video Clip** and **Share Computer Sound** in toolbar below screen selection (if you plan to play videos)
  - iv. If possible, schedule an orientation meeting with program partner and volunteers to review platform, practice sharing screen, and discuss student engagement tools and roles.

### **3. Platform capabilities and settings:**

- a. Screen sharing is essential.
- b. Awareness of grid view for viewing students
- c. Awareness of mute button to enable better sound and control student participation
  - i. Have students muted as they enter, keep muted unless opening up to discussion or open Q&A time.
- d. Awareness of chat functions to enable and disable student interaction
- e. If applicable, consider settings to make volunteers as “Hosts” or “Presenters”

### **4. SecureFutures program & materials:**

- a. Test access to Money Sense Prezi and/or Money Path website; have available at the beginning of each sessions, before participants arrive
- b. Workbooks (Money Sense & Money Path): paper copy or editable PDFs are available. Program Partner makes selection when scheduling.
- c. Surveys and course evaluations: paper copy or editable PDFs are available; Program Partner makes selection when scheduling.

5. **Housekeeping and engagement tips:** details for presenter to share / establish with participants right away during a session:
- a. Invite participation!
  - b. It is recommended that all participants use cameras; set rules encouraging all participants to keep cameras on at all times to enable active participation. Note there may be times it is OK not to have camera on. Hint: if camera doesn't work, log out, turn off computer, log back in and camera may be restored.
  - c. Set muting/talking rules:
    - i. Tell participants they will automatically be muted; presenter will unmute as needed, tell students this helps eliminate echo/feedback.
    - ii. Give option for participants to unmute themselves if suggested by program Partner.
  - d. Tell participants to use Chat feature for questions and designate times for open discussion, tell participants there will be open Q&A at the end
    - i. Program partner/educator or SecureFutures staff can monitor chat, or leave it up to volunteers - either way is fine, but establish beforehand.
  - e. Tell participants to select **Grid View** (top right) and ask participants to put cameras on. In grid view, students can use 'reaction icon or emoji' such as raise hand to respond to questions.
  - f. Encourage participants to ask questions, be honest when you don't know or are confused - help volunteer meet the students where they are at
  - g. Detail the 'format' of the presentation at the beginning, to set proper expectations for participants. Discuss use of the Student Workbook (editable PDF or paper copy)
  - h. Tell participants if you are recording the session.
6. **Student engagement ideas** - use of interactive features
- a. Use **Participants** function (bottom of page) to see all participant names and to get responses to questions i.e. Yes, No, hand icons (thumbs up, raise hand, etc). Note: A **Rename** function is also available for participants to change their screen name. Hover over your name, click More, and choose Rename to change your screen name displayed to other participants.
  - b. Use **Chat** function for students to ask and respond to questions; you may wish to read responses out loud. You may wish to designate someone to monitor chats. This is a great role for a second volunteer or the program partner/educator.
  - c. Use **Polling** function to ask questions such as "How many students plan on going to college/have a bank account/know what a credit score does?" etc. Polls can be planned ahead of time within the curriculum.
  - d. Use **Break Out Groups** for activities or discussions, especially when a partner team of volunteers are available.
  - e. Select **Grid View** (top right) and ask participants to put cameras on. In grid view, students can use 'reaction icon or emoji' such as raise hand to respond to questions.
  - f. **Google Classroom** may provide presenter immediate access to completed assignments if in quiz form (not if downloadable workbook)
  - g. Consider engaging individual students to read aloud information on a Prezi slide.

If you have additional virtual presentation suggestions or student engagement ideas that work well in a virtual environment, please contact SecureFutures so we can add them to our list.

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