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As my time has winded down with my internship at Brooks Crossing Innovation Labs, I have felt that the pace of the internship has sped up beyond what I had originally been doing. I had gone from only doing field trips once a week, to going back to back with them. The field trips were not bad, but it made me realize that working with kids was a lot more difficult than I had originally anticipated.

Between teaching the kids Python using scratch, to how to upload their code to make the VEX Robots work themselves, 3D printing their own name tags, and finally designing and printing out their own shirts. Having to first learn how to do all of these things myself and then translate them into lessons for the K-12 Students was a new experience for me. A lot of the kids were interested in what they were learning, but there were always cases of kids who would be disruptive and manage to derail the lessons quite a bit. Working through these complications however led me to a better understanding of what I would have to deal with in an actual working environment. Not actual students, but the demand of learning and translating skills, dealing with individuals who do not understand the task at hand, or the software that is being utilized, I would experience these complications in a workplace eventually. Gaining the experiences I have at the Internship have, I felt, definitely better prepared me for what is in store for me wherever I may end up.