CAREER DEVELOPMENT CONTINUUM

Preparing All Youth For Success In College, Career and Life.

Students and young adults are provided a range of career development opportunities across the continuum through partnerships between their school or youth organization and employers and community or governmental organizations. This chart lists all of the activities across the continuum, whether they happen through structured learning in the classroom or workshops, activities in the community or through work-based learning in partnership with employers.

1 CAREER AWARENESS

Learn about a wide variety of jobs and careers

STRUCTURED LEARNING
* Career Awareness Lessons
* Career Research
* Guest Speakers
* Professional Skills Development
* Career Aptitude and Interest Assessments

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
* Career Fairs
* College Visits
* Networking Events
* Adult Interactions

WORK-BASED LEARNING
* Career Mentoring
* Workplace Tours

"I understand what's out there and am discovering the kinds of things I might want to do."

2 CAREER EXPLORATION

Explore careers of interest and plan for the future

STRUCTURED LEARNING
* Career Exploration Lessons
* Career Guidance and Planning
* Career-Related Projects
* Career Classes and Clubs
* Industry Research
* Integrated Curriculum

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
* Community Service
* Mock Interviews
* Out-Of-School-Time Activities

WORK-BASED LEARNING
* Informational Interviews
* Job Shadowing

"I'm interested in this field and am beginning to understand what it's all about and what I need to do to pursue a career in the industry."

3 CAREER PREPARATION

Gain workplace experience education and training for a career of choice

STRUCTURED LEARNING
* Pre-Apprenticeship
* Career Coaching and Planning
* Career-Technical Education
* Technical/Occupational Skills Training
* Work-Readiness Activities

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES
* Volunteering
* Competitions
* Work-Ready Certification
* Industry Certifications

WORK-BASED LEARNING
* Workplace Challenges
* Internships
* Work-Experience / Co-Op
* On-The-Job Training
* Apprenticeship

"I know the kinds of things I want to do and am getting the chance to learn new skills and practice applying those skills."

PRODUCTIVE FUTURE

EDUCATED

AWARE

EXPERIENCED

SKILLED

CONFIDENT

PREPARED

CONNECTED