

CAREER CONNECTED LEARNING FRAMEWORK



Career Connected Learning is a continuum of career opportunities starting early with career awareness and exploration, and continuing through high school and beyond with career preparation and career launch experiences.

career awareness LEARNING ABOUT WORK

Focuses on a wide variety of potential careers and usually involves one-time interactions between groups of students and professionals.

ACTIVITIES MIGHT INCLUDE:

Career Presentation
(Panel + Speaker)

Career Fair

Worksite Tour

career preparation LEARNING THROUGH WORK

Includes extended direct interaction with professionals in workplace settings and provides supervised application of skills and knowledge. Career preparation often, but not exclusively, occurs through Career and Technical Education (CTE).

ACTIVITIES MIGHT INCLUDE:

Cooperative
Worksite Learning

Instructional
Worksite Learning

90+ Hour
Internship

Extended Learning

Pre-Apprenticeship

career exploration LEARNING FOR WORK

Provides short-term direct interactions with professionals and offers opportunities to explore career options that motivates and inform students' decisions about future career experiences.

ACTIVITIES MIGHT INCLUDE:

Informational
Interview

Networking
Event

Job Shadow

Career Prep
Workshop

Industry-based
Design Challenge

Career Info
Embedded in
Gen Ed Class

career launch LEARNING IN WORK

Prepares youth for employment in specific occupations through meaningful on the job experience that includes attainment of or progress towards a high value credential beyond a high school diploma.

ACTIVITIES MIGHT INCLUDE:

HS Work-Based
Learning Course w/
Dual Credit

2-yr & 4-yr
Credentials with
Work-Based
Learning

Clinical
Experience

Youth & Adult
Apprenticeship

On-the-Job
Training