CAREER CONNECTED LEARNING FRAMEWORK

Career Connected Learning is a continuum of awareness, exploration, preparation, and work experiences developed through strong public and private partnerships. Participants develop, apply, and are assessed on academic, technical, trade, and entrepreneurial skills that support their future career success.

**Career Awareness**
- **Learning About Work**
  - Career Awareness experiences are those that help youth build awareness of the variety of careers available. These activities are normally defined as one-time interactions with business/industry partners.
  - **Activities Might Include:**
    - Career Fair
    - Worksite Tour
    - Career Presentation (Panel + Speaker)

**Career Exploration**
- **Learning for Work**
  - Career Exploration experiences provide youth with short term direct interaction with professionals and offer opportunities to explore career options in a way that contributes to motivation for learning and informs students’ decisions about further career related experiences.
  - **Activities Might Include:**
    - Networking Event
    - Job Shadow
    - Informational Interview
    - Career Prep Workshop

**Career Preparation**
- **Learning Through Work**
  - Career Preparation experiences include extended direct interaction with professionals from industry and the community. These experiences are designed to provide supervised practical application of skills and knowledge and often occur within Career and Technical Education (CTE).
  - **Activities Might Include:**
    - Cooperative Worksite Learning
    - Instructional Worksite Learning
    - Virtual & Onsite Internships
    - Extended Learning
    - Youth Apprenticeship

**Career Skills**
- **Training & Education**
  - Career Training experiences prepare youth for employment in a specific range of occupations. Career Training experiences often occur after high school.
  - **Activities Might Include:**
    - On-the-Job Training
    - Clinical Experience
    - Apprenticeship
    - Internships
    - Career Fair
    - Worksite Tour

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