

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:

- Networking Event
- Job Shadow
- Career Prep Workshop
- Informational Interview
- 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
- Registered Apprenticeship