

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

WHAT IS RUREADY.ND.GOV?

RUReady.ND.gov is a web-based career and educational planning program provided by NDCTE to all K-12 schools and public and tribal postsecondary institutions in ND. This online tool assists students in career planning including connections to work-based learning experiences, high school and college planning, and financial aid planning.

CAREER PLANNING

Students discover who they are, learn about careers, and prepare for a job search. Under **Learn About Yourself**, multiple assessments allow students to explore their interests, values, and skills. Students **Explore Careers** to increase career awareness while finding the best career choices for their futures. **Get a Job** includes tools for resume writing and interview practice to help students prepare for the world of work. And **Explore Work-Based Learning Opportunities** that match their interests.

HIGH SCHOOL PLANNING

Students develop a personalized **Plan of Study** to ensure they are selecting courses that support their future career goals while meeting high school graduation and college admissions requirements. For a year-by-year guide for success, students can follow a **High School Planning Timeline**. For helpful advice on **Succeeding in High School**, students can read "How-To" articles and access helpful homework sites.

COLLEGE PLANNING

Students **Explore Postsecondary Schools** to discover their best-fit college. **Prepare for College** helps students plan the steps to take during each year of high school using the *College Planning Timeline* and access useful articles to help them get ready for college. The **Explore Programs and Majors** tools assist students in finding a program or major matching their future career goals. Students begin the college admissions process using the tools in **My Colleges & Applications** and access free **Test Prep** that will help them obtain the best test scores possible on the ACT, Accuplacer, ASVAB, GED, SAT and more.

FINANCIAL AID PLANNING

Students can learn about their financial options under **Financial Aid 101** and determine their expected family contribution and how much they should save for expenses with the **Financial Aid Calculators**. Help students get a grip on what they need to do now to be successful in paying for college with the **Financial Aic Planning Timeline** and **Find Scholarships** that match their profile. In 7 easy steps students can plan their entire financial aid package online with the **Financial Aid Wizard** and learn the basics of managing their money with **Financial Fitness**.

YOUR PORTFOLIO

Your Profile allows students to develop goals, track activities, self-reflect, and update personal information. Students can save their work, including assessment results, career and educational plans, saved career and education articles, saved scholarships, and job search activities. To fully reflect their achievements, students can attach documents including work samples, photographs, letters of recommendation, or other relevant items.

NEED HELP?
Contact:



ND Career Resource Network: 701-328-9733 NDCRN@nd.gov

or



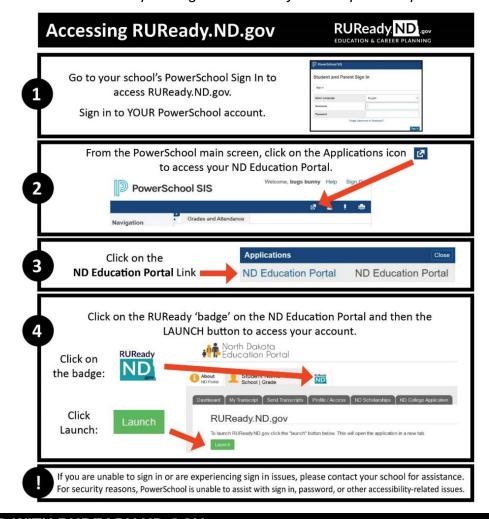
XAP Support: 800-468-6927 support@xap.com

Public School Students



STUDENT QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE - ACCESSING RUREADY.ND.GOV

Public school students in North Dakota already have accounts created in RUReady.ND.gov. Follow the instructions below to access all of the planning features and your own personal portfolio.



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Career Planning

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College Planning

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- Build Your Financial Aid Plan: The **Financial Aid Wizard** allows you to calculate and plan for school.

Your Portfolio

• Review the work you've completed in other sections of the program, upload documents and more!

NEED HELP? Contact your school counselor or teacher.

Private/Tribal/Other School

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If you attend a private, tribal or non-public school, follow the instructions below to create an account in RUReady.ND.gov to access all of the planning features and your own personal portfolio.

HOW TO CREATE YOUR RUREADY.ND.GOV ACCOUNT (FIRST TIME USERS)

- 1. Go to RUReady.ND.gov.
- 2. Click Create an Account.
- 3. Click **Go** next to the role that best describes you.
- 4. Enter your date of birth and select your school. Click **Next**.
- 5. Enter your account information. Select your **Account Name** and **Password** with care. You will use this to access the site. Check the box if you agree to the privacy policy and terms of the site, then click **Next**.
- 6. Be sure to remember your username and password! Consider writing them down somewhere safe.
- 7. Click **Click here to continue** and start using RUReady.ND.gov!

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR ACCOUNT (RETURNING USERS)

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- 3. Click the Sign In button.

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QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE FOR PARENTS

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Follow the instructions below to create an RUReady.ND.gov parent account, access all of the planning features and develop your own personal portfolio.

HOW TO CREATE A PARENT ACCOUNT IN RUREADY.ND.GOV

- 1. Go to RUReady.ND.gov. Click on CREATE AN ACCOUNT and enter the required information.
- 2. Type in your child's school or organization to search for it in the dropdown menu and click on it to save your selection.
- 3. The account name and password you choose here will be what you use to log in from now on.

Note: The password is case sensitive.

Use something that is easy for you to remember, such as your e-mail address or firstname.lastname.

Be sure to remember your username and password! Consider writing them down somewhere safe.

My Account Name:	
My Password:	

- 4. After all information is complete, click the Privacy Policy checkbox and Submit.
- 5. If you receive an error, doublecheck that you have input all required information.
- Start using RUReady.ND.gov!

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR PARENT ACCOUNT

- 1. Go to RUReady.ND.gov
- 2. Enter your Account Name and Password under **Sign In**.
- 3. Click the **Sign In** button.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is available to students in RUReady.ND.gov?

Tools and resources for Course Planning, ACT Test Preparation, Scholarship Research, Financial Aid Planning, Career Planning, and more!

Can RUReady.ND.gov only be used at school?

RUReady.ND.gov is available for students to use 24/7, at school or at home. All saved work will be in their portfolio.

Is there a cost to use RUReady.ND.gov?

There is no cost for students to use RUReady.ND.gov. It is provided to North Dakota students in grades K-12 by the North Dakota Department of Career and Technical Education.

Visit the North Dakota Career Resource Network (CRN) website:

www.cte.nd.gov/crn to learn more about the CRN.

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RUReady.ND.gov Student Account information visible to parents/guardians when invited to view the student's account:

- Career Planning
 - o Career Plans
 - Suggested Career Clusters
 - Saved Clusters and Career
 - Pathways
 - My Saved Careers
 - Career Finder Searches
 - Career Plans
 - Working for Yourself
 - o Getting Ready for Work
 - Resume Builder
 - Cover Letter
 - Interview Practice

 - Job Interviews
 - Thank You Letters
 - Job Search Activities
 - Work Experiences
 - Work Experiences
 - Professional Association Memberships
 - Memberships
 - Job Shadowing Experience
 - Early Work Experiences
 - o Your Skills
 - Basic Skills
 - General Workplace Skills
 - Transferrable Skills
 - Early Skills
 - o All About You
 - Work Interest Areas
 - Work values
 - Aptitudes
 - Personality Type
 - Learning Style
 - ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)
 - How You See Yourself
 - Personal Values and Priorities
 - Personal Management Style
 - Life Roles

- High School Planning
 - o High School Transition Plan
 - Your Plan of Study
 - AP Exams
 - Early College Access Programs
 - Enrichment Courses and Workshops
 - Extracurricular Activities
 - High Schools Attended
 - o Middle Schools Attended
- College Planning
 - Postsecondary Plans
 - o Test Scores
 - Postsecondary Experiences
 - o Lifelong Education/Training Plans
- Financial Aid Planning
 - o FAFSA (link)
 - Components of My Financial Aid Plan
 - o Financial Aid Plan for My Colleges
 - Scholarship Search
 - Estimated Family Contribution
 Calculator Results
- Your Profile
 - The Basics (This is Me, demographics,
 - Looking Ahead (Goals and Action Plans)
 - Experiences and Activities
 (Community Service, Leadership,
 Networking, Awards, and Sports,
 etc.)
 - o How You See Yourself
 - o Portfolio Reviews
- Your Journal
- Planning Milestones (Milestones that the student's advisor/teacher is tracking)
- Snapshots of Your Portfolio (end of year "snapshots" of the student portfolio. PDFs of prior year(s) portfolio activity. (Not available until after 1 full year of RUReady account usage.

Parents/guardians can add comments in many areas that will be visible to the student and to professional users at the school.

The more a student uses their portfolio and the more there is to view!



QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE FOR ADULTS

HOW TO GET STARTED WITH RUREADY.ND.GOV

Whether you are looking for a new job, planning to go to school or updating your resume, RUReady.ND.gov can help. Create an account to access all tools and save your work.

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR ACCOUNT (FIRST TIME USERS)

- 1. Go to RUReady.ND.gov.
- 2. Click CREATE AN ACCOUNT.
- 3. In the Who are you? dropdown, select the "Adult" role.
- 4. Enter your name.
- 5. In the Your school, workforce, center or program, type/select Adult-No K12 Connection.
- Enter your Email address.
- 7. Create your Username and Password. Be sure to remember your username and password! Consider writing them down somewhere safe.
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- 2. Click CREATE AN ACCOUNT.
- 3. In the Who are you? dropdown, select the "College or postsecondary school student" role.
- 4. Enter your name.
- 5. In the Your school, workforce, center or program, type/select the name of your school.
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RUReady.ND.gov Feature Site Map

CAREER PLANNING HIGH SCHOOL PLANNING

COLLEGE PLANNING FINANCIAL AID PLANNING

YOUR PORTFOLIO

Career Planning		
	Interest Profiler	
	Career Cluster Survey	
	Basic Skills Survey	
Learn About Yourself	Transferable Skills Checklist	
	Work Values	
	The Career Key	
	Compass Profile	
	Browse Careers	
	Career Finder	
	Compare Careers	
	Career Plan Builder	
Explore Careers	Browse Career Clusters	
	Career Videos	
	Search Careers	
	Energy Careers in North Dakota	
	Resume Builder	
	Cover Letter Creator	
	Job Interview Practice	
Get a Job	Thank-You Letter Builder	
	Advice from Career Experts	
	Job Banks	
	Links to Web-based CareerViewXR videos (a VR	
CareerViewXR	headset is not required to view the videos.)	
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My Colleges & Applications	Manage your college list and application tasks.	
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	Enjoy College and Your Responsibilities	
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	Find Scholarships	
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	your future.	
Financial Aid Wizard	Financial Aid planning steps.	
Financial Fitness	Managing Your Money 101	
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Financial Aid Planning Portfolio	• FAFSA	
	Components of My Financial Aid Plan	
Your Journal	Record your ideas, questions, and thoughts as you	
	make your plans.	
Your Planning Milestones	Milestone visibility varies depending on what has heen assigned to your grade level.	
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QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE FOR PROFESSIONALS HOW TO GET STARTED WITH THE RUREADY.ND.GOV PROFESSIONAL CENTER

Professional Center

Sign in to the RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center to track student work, run reports, access resources and more!

FIRST TIME USERS: HOW TO CREATE AN ACCOUNT

- 1. Go to the RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center: https://Procenter.RUReady.nd.gov
- 2. Click Create a Professional Center Account.
- 3. In the Who Are You? section, click Go next to the role that best describes you.
- 4. Click **Find** next to **School or Program** to bring up a list of schools. In the popup, locate your school or site, highlight it and click **Continue**.
- 5. Enter either the **Professional Account Access Key (PAAK)** or **Administrator Code (AC)** in the space provided. Click **Next**.
 - If you do not have the PAAK or AC for your school/site, contact the Career Resource Network at ndcrn@nd.gov.
 - o The PAAK is for those professionals who want to access the Professional Center to track and communicate with students. Most professionals will use the PAAK.
 - The AC gives all of the access as the PAAK, plus the ability to customize course plans, graduation requirements, the Academic Plan, milestones, and local scholarships. Use of this code is normally restricted to one "power user."
- 6. Enter your account information. **Select your Account Name and Password with care**, you will use this to access the site. Provide a **security question** and answer in the spaces provided. Check the box if you agree to the privacy policy and terms of the site, and then click **Next**.
- 7. Be sure to remember your username and password! Consider writing them down somewhere safe.

RETURNING USERS: HOW TO ACCESS YOUR ACCOUNT

- Go to https://Procenter.RUReady.nd.gov.
- 2. Enter your Account Name and Password in the spaces provided.
- 3. Click the Sign In button.

FEATURES OF PROCENTER.RUREADY.ND.GOV

Here are some of the helpful features you'll find in Procenter.RUReady.ND.gov:

Students & Groups

Find and view individual portfolios, define groups of students and manage your groups.

Reporting

 Create reports that show site usage, assessment results and planning outcomes for groups of students or your entire school.

Resources

• Find curriculum, lesson plans and activities for subject area and guidance office work while using the system.

Communication

• Send or review messages and manage events that appear on student calendars.

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Confidentiality and RUReady.ND.gov

The Professional Center provides the tools needed to manage RUReady.ND.gov, the academic and career planning website. At that site, professionals can access the administrative site (generally reserved for one or two people in each school setting as it includes customization privileges), reporting, communicating and managing students. School professionals (teachers, counselors, career advisors, librarians, etc.) can gain access to the Professional Center to view and work with student accounts/portfolios if/when they are working with students. See the site administrator at your school (most often the school counselor) for the codes needed to create an account.

As with any access to student information, it is imperative that confidentiality is maintained when a professional works with the program and/or views the individual student accounts. <u>All</u> information contained in the accounts is considered confidential and is to be viewed on a "need to know" basis. Please review the following as a reminder prior to accessing the accounts:

- Maintain awareness and be sensitive to cultural meanings and differing views of confidentiality and privacy. How much is shared with others and even Internet privacy concerns may vary greatly between cultures.
- Access student account information only when it is beneficial to the student and share it only with the consent of the student.
- A student has the right to share their information with the parent by giving access to their account either by sharing their password or inviting them to connect with their portfolio.
- The general requirement that information be kept confidential does not apply when disclosure is required to protect students from harm or when legal requirements demand that confidential information be revealed.
- To the extent possible, students are informed before confidential information is disclosed and are involved in the disclosure decision-making process. When circumstances require the disclosure of confidential information, only essential information is revealed.
- Discuss student information with other professionals only in settings in which they can reasonably ensure privacy and only to the extent necessary to achieve the purpose of the consultation.
- Ensure that records are kept in a secure location and only authorized persons have access
- Obtain written permission from students to disclose or transfer records to legitimate third parties (for example, a student transcript of grades and/or coursework).
- Respect the student's right to the protection of their information, even when it is
 information the student willingly shares with others (for example, a student's plans to
 attend a postsecondary school or the acceptance of a scholarship or other award). It is
 always "their information to share" unless they have otherwise given permission.

Excerpts taken from the ACA Code of Ethics. To view the full document, visit www.counseling.org.





RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center Site Map

Professional Center

https://procenter.ruready.nd.gov

Students & Groups Reports Reso	ources Communication Colleges & A	pplications Work-Based Learning Administration
Students & Groups		
Students	 Search Browse by Class Browse by Last Name Student Finder Reviewer Student Password Reset 	
Groups	View All GroupsYour GroupsGroup Builder	
Manage Student Accounts*	Create Student AccountsMerge AccountsRelease Student Accounts	*Public schools in ND should not create, merge or release student accounts. Student accounts are "autoloaded" and updated 3 times per week based on STARS enrollment data.
Reports		
Create a New Report	 Choose Report Type Usage Reports Tracking Reports Outcome Reports Customized Reports 	
Resources		
Getting Started	 Quick Reference Guides (QRGs) 	
Lesson Plans	 Lesson Plan of the Month Career and College Readiness Curriculum Transition Planning for Special Needs Curriculum Lesson Plans 	
Communication		
Messages	 Messages Compose New Message Inbox Drafts Sent Messages Send Message to a Group 	
Events	 Add an Event Events Calendar Upcoming Events Communication Log 	

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Work-Based Learning	 Applications 	
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Professional/Administrator Access	 Manage Professional Accounts Change Account Type Privilege Level Change Access Codes (Administrator Code (AC) Professional Account Access Key (PAAK) 	
Edit North Dakota Assignment & Curriculum Builder	 Define a page to be included in student portfolios (create and assign.) 	
High School Courses	 Update Master Course List Edit High School Graduation Requirements Customize High School Programs of Study 	
Planning Milestones	Change the Planning Milestones for Your Students	
Local Scholarships Database	 Add records to a database of local scholarships. 	
Local Settings	Merge Accounts function availability.	*Public schools in ND should not create, merge or release student accounts. Student accounts are "autoloaded" and updated 3 times per week based on STARS enrollment data.
Survey Manager	Create and update surveys.	
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RUREADY.ND.GOV QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Find the definitions of terms used in RUReady.ND.gov in this glossary.

Academic & Career Plan: The a summary of all work that has been completed and saved to the student portfolio.

Account Name: The username that students use to access their account. (Public school students, grades 6-12, access their accounts through the single sign on in PowerSchool.)

Administrator Code: This is the code provided to professionals who will have access to the administrative functions of the site are given to create an RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center account (https://procenter.ruready.nd.gov). Site administrators are responsible for the customization of the site, including updating the Plan of Study and ICAP. Site Administrators can also manage other professional accounts attached to the site.

ASVAB: ASVAB is short for the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery. ASVAB scores can be added into the Career Planning section of the Portfolio.

Basic Skills Survey: This survey will help students assess their basic skills and match them to career options.

Career Clusters: A career categorization system in which careers are grouped based on interests and skills. There are 16 career clusters.

Career Cluster Survey: An assessment that matches the student's interests and personal qualities to Career Clusters to introduce them to possible career options.

Career Finder: The Career Finder helps narrow down a list of hundreds of careers by searching the database using criteria the user selects.

Career Pathway: A subdivision of a Career Cluster into more specific categories.

Career Plan: The career plan shows what type of work and learning are going to help a student to create the kind of future life that he or she wants

College Matching Assistant: A quick search for schools using common items such as size, location, and majors.

Compare Careers: Pick two careers that interest you and compare them side by side.

Compare Schools: Compare schools side by side to see how they stack up.

Course Plan: The sequence of courses that a student plans to take in high school.

Distance Search: Allows students to find the campus closest to any zip code.

Early Skills: The student's best personal traits and work skills, including skills that they use in school and skills that they might use in sports, hobbies, or activities outside of school.

Estimated Family Contribution (EFC): The amount a student's family is expected to contribute towards paying for college.

FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Filling out a FAFSA form is the first step in the financial aid process. To be eligible to receive federal financial aid, a student must complete a FAFSA.

General Workplace Skills: Practiced activities that help workers achieve success in various careers. Students have developed these abilities at home, work, and school

Interest Profiler: Students will learn which interests they have and match them to possible careers.

Job Shadowing: When a student spends one or more days in a workplace observing someone on the job.

Learning Styles: Students' preferences in how they acquire information.

Milestone: The benchmark that measures student progress on an indicator.

PAAK: Professional Account Access Key. This is the code most professionals are given to create an RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center account (https://procenter.ruready.nd.gov).

Personality Type: Students' preferences between introversion and extroversion, sensing and intuiting, thinking and feeling, and judging and perceiving. Based on the Myers Briggs Personality Type Indicator.

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Portfolio: The electronic storage system in which students can keep track of their career and educational plans, activities, assessment results, and other career development information.

School Finder: Search for schools that match specific needs from a comprehensive list of school characteristics.

STARS: State Automated Reporting System. It is an online application for collecting data required for state and federal reporting. Public school student accounts (grades 6-12) are created and maintained based on the STARS data schools are reporting to the Department of Public Instruction.

Tracked Outcome Report: A display showing progress toward milestone completion either by student or by milestone

Transferable Skills: This survey will help students to evaluate which transferable skills they have now – or which ones they plan on developing – and match them to career options.

Work-based Learning: An educational strategy that provides students with real-life work experiences where they can apply academic and technical skills and develop their employability.

- Compass Assessment: (only available in RUReady.ND.gov) When students complete the Compass assessment its results will help students find work-based learning opportunities that more closely match who they are. The Compass assessment should be updated each term or semester as students finish their courses. The Compass assessment can be tracked or not tracked. The student must complete 60% of the assessment to receive opportunity recommendations.
- Work-based Learning Opportunities: This activity displays opportunities that match students' interests as
 well as new opportunities they can search and select. Work-Based Learning Opportunities can be tracked
 or not tracked.
- Work-based Learning Experiences: This is where students can record current or completed work-based learning experiences. You can optionally set tracking criteria if you wish to report on students' completion of this activity.
- Work Exposure Experience: Covers activities in which young people explore, examine and investigate a new and/or unexpected world of work.
- Work Engagement Experience: May include in-school or after school opportunities, or experience outside the traditional school setting (including internships), that is provided in an integrated environment to the maximum extent possible to provide students with the knowledge and skills that will help them connect school experiences to real-life work activities and future career opportunities. It is essential that direct employer or community involvement be a component of the WBL to ensure in-depth student engagement. These opportunities are meant to engage, motivate and augment the learning process. These WBL opportunities can be done in conjunction with private, for-profit, public or nonprofit businesses in your community and/or through web-based resources. In addition, work-based learning requires in-depth engagement of youth and an evaluation of acquired work relevant skills.

Work Values Sorter: Students evaluate their top work values and review careers that connect to those values.

Your Plan of Study: The course plan that students create using the career clusters and pathways that interest them.

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The Work-Based Learning Module for Professionals

Use this guide to learn how to manage work-based learning processes and data.

Topics in this Instructional Guide

- Organizations
- Opportunities
- Applications
- <u>Evaluations</u>
- Assignment & Curriculum Builder
- Work-based Learning Experiences Report

What Does the Work-Based Module do?

Work-based learning is a proven strategy for helping students gain experience during their secondary school years and build the academic, technical, and employability skills to ensure their success in the workplace.

The work-based module has been designed to ease the burden of management of work-based learning for educators and employers and to expose students to opportunities matching their pathways.

For **students**, the work-based learning Opportunities activity allows students to browse, filter, and search for opportunities and apply for work-based learning opportunities of interest. The work-based learning Experiences activity allows students to document and reflect on all work-based learning experiences.

For **educators**, tools for management of work-based learning data and processes are included in the Choices360 Professional Center and includes the management of organizational contact information, work-based learning opportunities, applications, and evaluations.

Our partnership with the local North Dakota company, Golden Path Solutions (GPS), eases the educator workload even further.

GPS benefits include:

- A preloaded organization contact database for educators continuously updated with vetted employers and opportunities
- GPS Compass assessment, which uses the assessment results combined with student's experiences in high school along to suggest careers
- Students can opt in to match to employers for work agreements and tuition reimbursement opportunities

How to get started with Work-Based Learning

- 1. Sign into the **RUReady.ND.gov** Professional Center with an Administrator account
- 2. From the home screen, click the **Work-Based Learning** tab

There are four tabs in the Work-Based Learning feature: Organizations, Opportunities, Applications, and Evaluations. By default, you will land on the Organization page.

Organizations

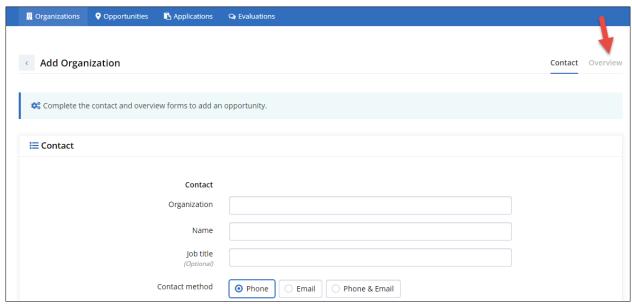
- 1. How to add an organization
- 2. How to find an organization
- 3. Working with GPS-sourced organizations
- 4. What do the statuses mean?
- 5. How to edit an organization

Organizations can be added in the Professional Center by a Professional Center administrator or can be sourced directly from the organization itself through the GPS employer tools. Instructions on how organizations can create accounts themselves can be found in the document Golden Path Solutions for Employers.

How to add an organization:

- 1. Select the **Add** button above the results table to the top right.
- 2. A new page displays. Enter the required contact information and select the types of work-based learning opportunities the organization is interested in offering. This is all that is needed to add this organization to your organization database. By default, all organizations added by a professional account holder have their status set to **Active**.
- 3. You have the option of adding an **Overview** to the organization's contact information. The overview is used when an opportunity is added for that organization. The overview is displayed to the student. To add the overview information, you can either click **Add & Continue to Overview** from the bottom of the contact page or click **Overview** at the top right.

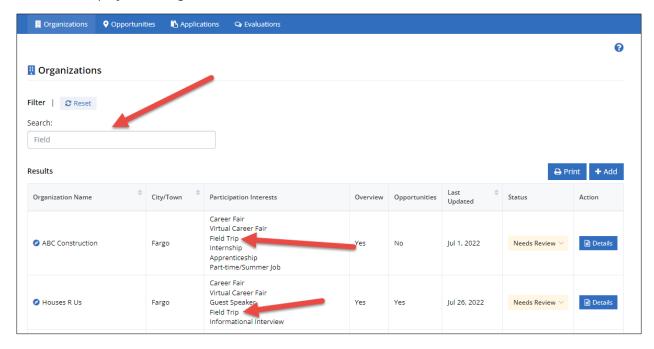




Easily access an organization's overview

How to find an organization:

Using the **filter** at the top of the page enter an organization name, city, or type of work-based learning experience an organization has expressed interest in offering in the Search field. The table below will display matching results.



Sample search for organizations offering field trips



Working with Golden Path Solutions-provided organizations:

Professionals can identify GPS-sourced organizations by the GPS Compass icon beside their name. The status of each GPS-sourced organization is set to Needs Review. A school-based professional must review the organization then set the status to Active to accept it into the contact database.



GPS-sourced organization (arrows indicating icon and default status)

* **It's important to note** that the contact and overview information for a GPS-sourced organization and opportunity cannot be edited or updated.

When should I add an organization directly in the Professional Center vs. having an organization use the GPS employer tools?

Create the organization yourself through the Professional Center if you answer yes to either of the following questions:

- Is the organization small and local to your area, and will only be working with your school?
- Will accessing the web-based GPS employer tools be a problem for them?

What do the organization statuses mean?

There are four possible statuses for an organization. They are:

- **Needs Review** indicates that this organization was imported from GPS. Before it can become active, an administrator needs to review it, and then activate it. Needs Review status listings will be listed first since they require action to be taken.
- **Active –** organizations with the Active status are currently willing to offer or are offering workbased learning opportunities
- **Inactive** organizations with the Inactive status are not currently willing to participate in workbased learning opportunities.



• **Suspended** – an organization sourced from GPS is no longer offering to participate in workbased learning opportunities.

A GPS organization <u>must be</u> Active for that organization's approved opportunity to be displayed to students.

How do I edit an organization?

To edit an organization, select Details for the organization, make your changes, then select Save.

* **It's important to note** that the contact and overview information for a GPS-sourced organization and opportunity cannot be edited or updated.

Opportunities

- 1. How to add an opportunity
- 2. How to find an opportunity
- 3. What do the statuses mean?
- 4. How to edit an opportunity
- 5. Where do students find work-based learning opportunities?
- 6. How does Compass facilitate the matching of students to opportunities?

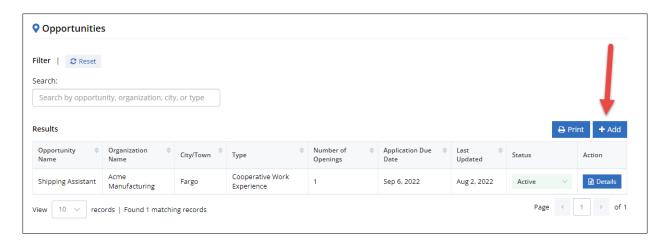
How to add an opportunity:

- 1. To add a WBL opportunity, click **Opportunities** in the top menu.
- 2. Select the **Add** button above the results table to the top right.
- 3. The system will require you to select the organization to which the opportunity belongs. It is important to note that opportunities can only be added to **Active** organizations you have added (opportunities cannot be added to GPS organizations).

Tip: Employers can add their own opportunities using the GPS employer website.

- 4. Enter the required opportunity information including the minimum requirements. All fields are required unless otherwise indicated. This is all that is needed to add this organization to your organization database.
- 5. By default, the opportunity will be active and visible to students.
- 6. The opportunity will remain visible until a professional administrator changes its status to lnactive.

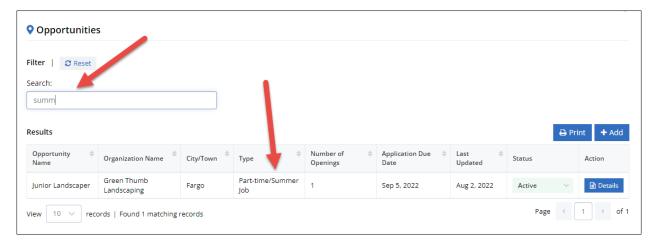




Opportunity page with Add button highlighted

How to find an opportunity

Using the **filter** at the top of the page enter an opportunity name, organization name, city, or type of work-based learning opportunity in the Search field. The table below will display matching results.



Sample search for summer job opportunities

What do the statuses mean?

There are four possible statuses for an opportunity. They are:

- **Needs Review** indicates that this opportunity was imported from GPS. Before it can become active, an administrator needs to review it, and then activate it. Needs Review status listings will be listed first since they require action to be taken.
- Active opportunities with the Active status are visible to students
- Inactive opportunities with the Inactive status are not visible to students
- Canceled opportunities that have been cancelled by organizations sourced from GPS

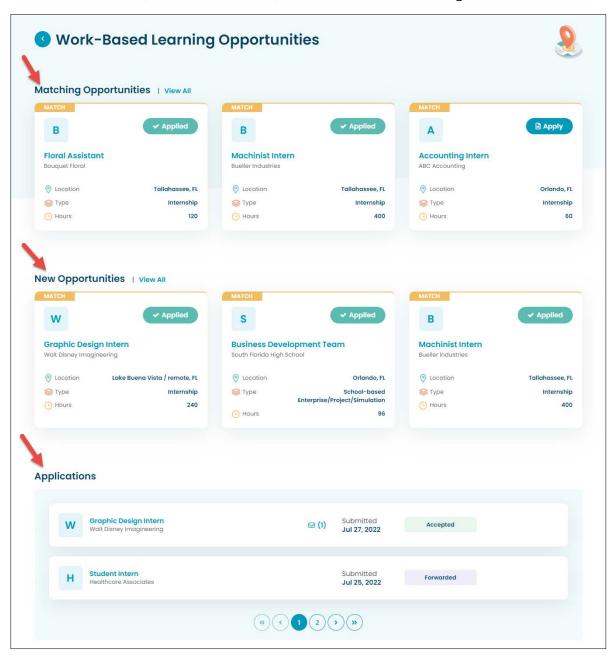


How do I edit an opportunity?

To edit an opportunity, select Details for the opportunity, make your changes, then select Save. **It's important to note** that a GPS-sourced opportunity cannot be edited or updated.

Where do students find opportunities?

Students can review, sort, and apply to work-based learning opportunities using the activity called "Work-based Learning Opportunities." This activity can be assigned to student using the Assignment & Curriculum Builder (see below for details) or under the Career Planning tab.



Work-based Learning Opportunities activity



Students can view matching opportunities based upon their Compass assessment results. Or they can browse all opportunities then apply for ones they're interested in pursuing. A history of their applications is available at the bottom of the opportunities page.

How does Compass facilitate matching of students to opportunities?

The Compass assessment is a way of looking at a student's experiences throughout high school, and using those experiences to identify the student's skills, potential career paths, and matches to opportunities. Students should update Compass regularly, either monthly or each semester, adding new classes, activities, and hobbies to help Compass make better recommendations.

The primary driver of the matching process facilitated by Compass are Holland Codes; a standard used by many interest inventories and used by the US Department of Labor to identify skills needed for specific careers. The way Compass uses Holland Codes is as follows:

- Each class, activity, or hobby that a student adds to their Compass profile is assigned a Holland Code (either one or up to 3)
- Certain experiences are weighted more than others as they are more advanced and/or sophisticated (i.e., a "Woods 2" class vs. a "Woods 1" class, or an AP math class vs. a general math class)
- Other experiences are weighted more than others depending on how long a student has been doing them them (activities and hobbies) or how much a student likes the experience (i.e., a class).

Students are encouraged to complete at least 60% of the assessment to get an initial Holland Code assignment, which is then used to match students to Work-based Learning opportunities, to career insights, and to Compass Career Profiles.

What is a Compass Career Profile?

Compass career profiles help a student understand what a specific career at a specific company is like. Information provided includes an overview of the career; a typical day-in-the-life; required skills; the classes, activities, hobbies, and personality traits that might indicate success at the career; the post-secondary education path (if there is one); career paths; salary; and other important information. The intent is to help a student learn more about a career at a particular company, and then investigate experiences in high school (including Work-based Learning) to help determine if the career is a good fit. In some situations, a company might offer sponsorships to qualifying students who have the right skills and are willing to commit to a work agreement in exchange for tuition reimbursement for post-secondary education.

The Compass assessment is found under Career Planning>>Learn About Yourself>>Compass Assessment or can be assigned to students using the <u>Assignment & Curriculum Builder</u>.





Students enter classes, activities, hobbies, and activities, to see their Holland Codes & Compass Career Profiles under the "Results" tab.

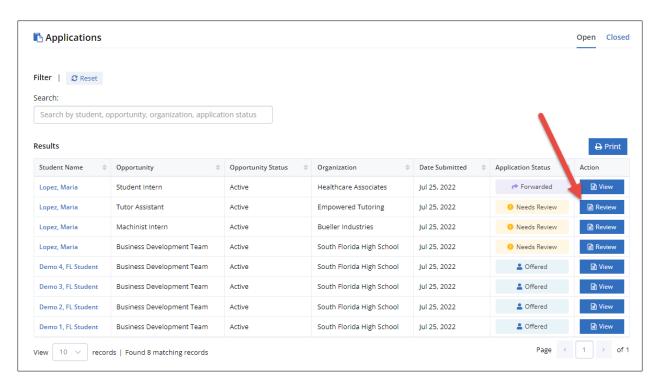
Applications

- 1. How to review and forward an application
- 2. What do the statuses mean?

How to review and forward an application:

- 1. To review the applications for active opportunities, click **Applications** in the top menu.
- 2. Using the filter at the top of the page enter an organization name, student name, organization name or application status in the Search field. The table below will display matching results.
- 3. Select Review to review a student's application.

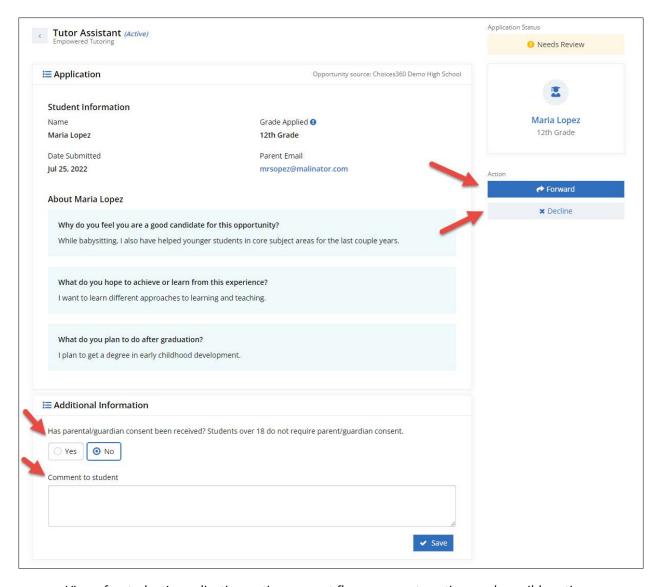




List of applications with varied statuses and available actions

4. The student's application will be displayed on the page with their answers to the application questions, an option to indicate whether parent consent has been received for their work-based learning experience, and a comments field which can be used to provide feedback to the student on their application.





View of a student's application noting consent flag, comments option, and possible actions

5. After reviewing the application, you can opt to decline the application or forward it to the organization sponsoring the opportunity.

a. GPS-sourced Opportunities

If the opportunity has been added via the GPS employer tools, then the application is forwarded directly to the organization to access in GPS employer tools.

The employer can decline or accept the application within GPS – RUReady.ND.gov is immediately updated with new status. Both the student and educators now see the application status as "Offered."

The student can accept or decline the offer. If they accept the offer, then a work-based learning experience record is automatically created.

b. RUReady.ND.gov Professional Added Opportunities



If you or another professional has added the opportunity, you can opt to forward the application yourself in whatever manner you prefer (district email, phone call etc.). You can accept or decline the application on behalf of the organization after forwarding at which point the student's view of their application status changes from submitted to either **Declined** or **Offered**. The student can accept or decline the offer. If they accept the offer, then a work-based learning experience record is automatically created.

What do the statuses mean?

There are six possible statuses for an application. They are:

- **Needs Review** indicates that this application requires review prior to an action being taken. Whatever action is taken will change the status of the application.
- **Forwarded** the application has been sent to the sponsoring organization.
- **Declined** the application has been declined by either the sponsoring organization or a professional on behalf of the organization.
- **Offered** the opportunity has been offered to the student by either the sponsoring organization or a professional on behalf of the organization.
- Declined by student the student has declined to take the offered opportunity.
- Accepted Once a student accepts an opportunity, the application is moved to the Closed tab.

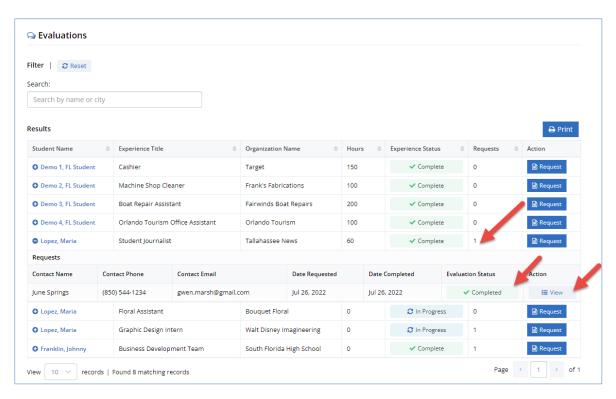
Evaluations

- 1. How to send an evaluation request
- 2. How to view a completed evaluation

How to send an evaluation request:

- 1. To access the evaluation functionality, click **Evaluations** in the top menu.
- 2. Using the filter at the top of the page enter a student name, experience name or organization name in the Search field. The table below will display matching results. It is important to note that evaluations can only be requested for engagement type of work-based learning experiences (apprenticeships, co-op placements, internships etc.)





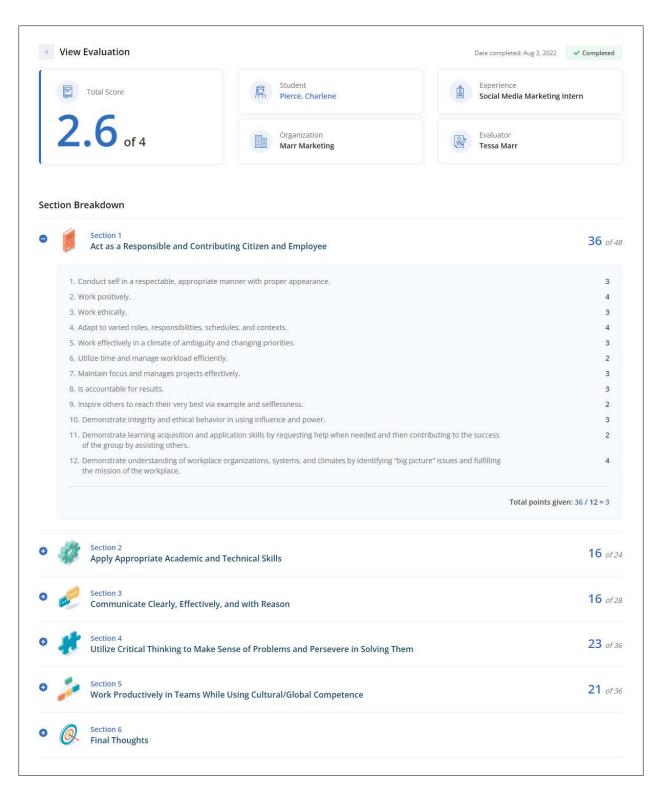
View of application results table

- 3. Select Request to request an evaluation of a student's work-based learning experience (the status can be completed or in progress).
- 4. The form will prompt for the evaluator's name, phone, and email address. The email address must be provided.
- 5. An email is sent to the evaluator with a link to complete an evaluation of the student's work.
- 6. Multiple evaluation requires can be sent out. However, the link in each email expires after 60 days.

How to view a completed evaluation:

- 1. Using the filter at the top of the page enter a student name, experience name or organization name in the Search field. The table below will display matching results.
- 2. Locate the student whose evaluation you wish to review.
- 3. Under Action select View.
- 4. The student's evaluation will appear on the screen with a summary of their score.
- 5. RUReady.ND.gov evaluations are customized to meet North Dakota work-based learning evaluation criteria.
- 6. Evaluators can add comments to their evaluation.





View of a student's completed evaluation



Assignment & Curriculum Builder

Work-based Learning activities can be added to an assignment/curriculum with the Assignment & Curriculum Builder.

- 1. To access the Assignment & Curriculum Builder, you need to hold a Professional Administrator account.
- 2. Click **Administration** in the top menu. On the Administration page, click **Assignment & Curriculum Builder**. For instructions on setting up and assigning an assignment list, or curriculum, click the **Assignment & Curriculum Help Guides** link in the introductory paragraph.
- 3. The following WBL activities can be assigned to any assignment or curriculum list:
 - **Work-Based Learning Experiences** This is where students can record current or completed work-based learning experiences. You can optionally set tracking criteria if you wish to report on students' completion of this activity:
 - Tracked or not tracked. If tracked, can be completed anytime, or during a specific grade (use the dropdown provided to select the grade you wish tracked.)
 - Optional Tracking Criteria Exposure can be a career fair, field trip, guest speaker, informational interview, job shadowing or virtual career fair. Engagement can be an apprenticeship, career & technical student organizations, cooperative work experience, internship, mentorship, part-time/summer job, practicum, school-based enterprise/project/simulation, or service learning.
 - Hours You can opt to require students to complete a certain number of hours to complete the activity – however hours can only be entered and tracked for engagement type of work-based learning experiences.
 - Work-Based Learning Opportunities This activity displays opportunities that match students' interests as well as new opportunities they can search and select. Work-Based Learning Opportunities can be tracked or not tracked.
 - Compass Assessment (only available in RUReady.ND.gov) When students complete the
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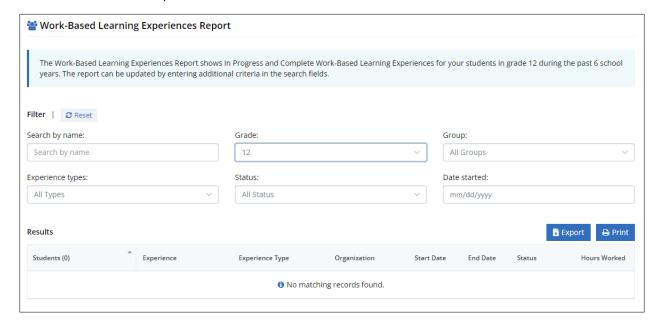
To learn more about the Assignment & Curriculum Builder, please review the Assignment & Curriculum Builder QRG found in the Resources section of your Professional Center.



Work-Based Learning Experiences Report

Educators can generate reports on students' work-based learning experiences by using the Work-based Learning Experiences report found in the Reports section of the Professional Center.

- 1. To access the Work-based Learning Experiences Report, select Reports in the Professional Center.
- 2. Select Create a New Report
- 3. Choose "Work-based Learning Experiences Report" from the Interactive Reports section.
- 4. You'll now see the Work-based Learning Experiences report with six filters allowing you to refine the results list of experiences.



Default view of the Work-based Learning Experience Report

- 5. Use the grade, group, experience type, status and start date to refine your results.
- 6. Search for individual students by name.
- 7. All results can be exported (csv) to permit further data manipulation if required.



Career Planning Class Lesson Plans

Available in the RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center Resources > Lesson Plans > Lesson Plans: Career Planning Class

(<u>Link</u> – must be signed in to Professional Center)

Lesson Plan	Grades	Career Exploration	College Planning	Decision Making	Employabilit Y	Interview Skills	Job Search	Self- Assessment
Academy Awards - Best Movie Careers	6-12	Х		Х				
Analyze a Local Business	9-12	Х						
Are You Ready for an Interview	9-12					Х		
At the Movies	6-8	Х						
Browsing Career Clusters	6-8	Х						
Browsing Occupational Leads	6-8	Х						
Building Interview Skills	9-12					Х		
Buying Smart: A Key to Future Work Options	9-12	Х						
Career Chameleon	6-12	Х						
Career Profiles	11-12	Х						
Careers and World Events	6-8	Х						
Careers for Multi-Linguists	9-12	Х						
Careers for Potential Writers	9-12	X						
Career Mystery Theater	6-8	X						
Computer Game Designer	6-12	X						
Creating a Web Reference List	6-8	X						
Create a Job Ad	6-12	X						
Decision-Making Practice in Careers Class	6-8	^		Х				
Designing a Business Card	6-12	Х		^				
Do Your Skills Match Your Ambition?	9-12	X						
	9-12	X						
Exploring Career Clusters and Pathways								
Exploring Career Options Coad Life Careers	9-12	X						
Good Life Careers	9-12	X						
Heroes Activity, Part 1	6-12	X						X
Heroes Activity, Part 2	6-12	X						X
Interest Profiler Activity	6-8	X						X
Interviewing Skills for Communications and Careers Class	10-11	X						X
Job Application Activity	9-12	X			X		X	
<u>Job Shadowing</u>	9-12	Х					Х	
Job Skills Club	10-12						Х	
<u>Live and Learn</u>	6-12		Х				Х	
<u>Live and Learn 2</u>	11-12		Х				Х	
Math: How Will I Ever Use It?	9-12			Х				
My Personal Lifeline	6-8			Х				
Opportunity Exploration	6-12	Х						
Perception in Career Awareness	6-8	Х						
<u>Pictures of Work</u>	6-8	Х						
<u>Professor Ed's Career Perspectives</u>	10-12						Х	
<u>Proofreading Your Resume</u>	6-12						Х	
Relating Science Careers to Work Values	9-12	Х						
Residential Care Facilities Careers	6-12	Х						
Scavenger Hunt	6-8	Х						
Searching for Occupational Leads	8-10	Х						
Self-Employment Careers	6-8	Х						
Technology Integration in Career Paths	9-12	Х						
Trends and the Labor Market	6-8	Х						
Using the Career Finder	6-12	Х						
What Will I Be?	6-12	Х						
Word Chaser	6-8	Х						
Work Values Sorter	6-8	Х						
Writing a Business Letter	8-12				Х		Х	

Career Exploration and Planning Unit

Available in the RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center
Resources > Lesson Plans > Career and College Readiness Curriculum

(Link – must be signed in to Professional Center)

Click on these sections titles to display the lesson plans listed below!

- Career Exploration & Planning
- Postsecondary Planning
- High School Academic Planning
- Financial Aid Planning
- Job Search
- Lifelong Portfolio

Career Exploration And Planning Unit

- 1. Discover Careers with the Career Cluster Survey
- 2. <u>Learning About Career Interests with the Interest</u>
 Profiler
- 3. Discover Your Skills with the Basic Skills Survey
- 4. Assess Your Skills with the Transferable Skills Checklist
- 5. Learning About Values with the Work Values Sorter
- 6. All About You
- 7. How You See Yourself
- 8. Browsing Career Clusters
- 9. <u>Career Profiles</u>
- 10. Making a Plan with the Career Plan Builder

Postsecondary Planning

- 1. Postsecondary Options
- 2. Exploring Programs by Cluster
- 3. Exploring Schools With the School Finder
- 4. Preparing for Standardized Testing
- 5. Admissions Streams: Which is Right for You?
- 6. Practice a College Application
- 7. <u>Perfecting the College Essay</u>
- 8. Apply and Track Your College Application
- 9. After High School Transition Plan

Postsecondary Planning Worksheets

- Postsecondary Options Worksheet
- Exploring Programs by Cluster Worksheet
- Admissions Streams: Which is Right for You?
 Worksheet

High School Academic Planning

- 1. High School Planning Timeline
- 2. Choose Your Favorite Career Cluster
- 3. Match Your Skills to Classes
- 4. Build Your Skills: Going Beyond the Classroom
- 5. Which Classes Should I Take?
- 6. Build Your Plan of Study
- 7. Successful Study Techniques
- 8. Maintaining Your Academic Portfolio
- 9. Experiences and Activities That Enhance Your Academic Portfolio

Financial Aid Planning

- Learn Financial Aid Terms With the Financial Aid Glossary
- 2. Save for College With Financial Aid 101 and the College Savings Calculator
- 3. Grants, Loans and Scholarships: What's the Difference?
- 4. <u>Discover Your Estimated Family Contribution With the</u> EFC Calculator
- 5. FAFSA is Key
- 6. Comparing College Costs
- 7. Developing a Scholarship Portfolio
- 8. Search for Scholarships With the Scholarship Finder
- 9. <u>Financial Aid Wizard: Planning Your Academic Finances</u> in Seven Easy Steps

Job Search

- 1. Introduction to the Job Search
- 2. Researching Companies
- 3. Your Transferable Skills
- 4. Learn to Write a Resume With the Resume Builder
- 5. <u>Learn to Write a Cover Letter With the Cover Letter</u>
 <u>Creator</u>
- 6. The Job Application
- 7. Preparing for a Job Interview
- 8. The Job Interview
- 9. <u>Learn to Write a Thank-You Letter with the Thank-You</u> Letter Builder
- 10. Evaluating Your Progress

Lifelong Portfolio

- 1. Introduction to Lifelong Portfolios
- 2. Ages and Stages
- 3. Personal Portfolio Case Study
- 4. <u>Learning About Personal Portfolios Through a Personal</u> Interview
- 5. <u>Career Portfolio Case Study</u>
- 6. <u>Learning About Career Portfolios Through a Personal</u> Interview
- 7. Portfolio Scavenger Hunt
- 8. Creating Your Own Portfolios
- 9. Your Future, Your Portfolio
- 10. Storing Your Portfolio... and More!



School-2-College-2-Work

Directions After High School Activity

An Introduction to Education Options

Access your RUReady.ND.gov account. Follow the sign-in instructions provided by your teacher/counselor.

Follow the steps in order and read directions as you go. Complete all of the activities and answer the questions.

You can easily navigate the RUReady.ND.gov site by clicking on the top tabs to go to each section or go back to a place you were before.

CAREER	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE	FINANCIAL AID	YOUR
PLANNING	PLANNING	PLANNING	PLANNING	PORTFOLIO

- 1. Click on the **YOUR PORTFOLIO** tab at the top of the page.
- 2. Click on the link to School-2-College-2-Work.



3. Find the Directions After High School activity and click on Get Started.



4. Read the How? and Why? at the top of the Directions After High School page.



You are now ready to start exploring your options for after high school.

Read the following pages for directions.



A **Two-year college** is sometimes called a community college. It is a school you enroll in after high school that offers two-year degrees.

Directions: Click on the **Two-Year College** box. Read the content and facts under each tile on the page. You will need to move your mouse over each of the tiles for the information to scroll up or appear. When you are done, answer the following questions:

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2. List two Two-Year Colleges in North Dakota:

List two things you learned about Two-Year Colleges:

- 3. Is it possible to transfer from a Two-Year College to a Four-Year College? Yes or No
- 4. Are you interested in attending a **Two-Year College**? _____ If not, explain why?



Rate this path at the bottom of the Two-Year College page and click **Continue**.



Four-year colleges offer programs leading to bachelor's degrees in a specific area of study, called a "major."

Directions: Click on the **Four-Year College** box. Read the content and facts under each tile on the page. You will need to move your mouse over each of the tiles for the information to scroll up or appear. When you are done, answer the following questions:

1. List two things you learned about Four-Year Colleges:

2. List two Four-Year Colleges in North Dakota:

3. Are you interested in attending a **Four-Year College**? _____ If not, explain why?



Rate this path at the bottom of the Four-Year College page and click **Continue**.



Career College or Technical Schools can also be called trade schools. They offer instruction and training in a skill or trade such as auto repair or cosmetology.

Directions: Click on the **Career College or Technical School** box. Read the content and facts under each tile on the page. You will need to move your mouse over each of the tiles for the information to scroll up or appear. When you are done, answer the following questions:

- 1. What will you most-likely have when completing a program at a Career College or Technical School? A **Degree** or a **Certificate**:
- 2. Almost half of the nation's projected job openings will be in careers requiring education beyond high school, but not a four-year degree. **True** or **False**
- 3. How much time do most technical school programs take?
- 4. List one pro about career colleges or technical schools?



Rate this path at the bottom of the Career College or Technical Schools page and click

Continue.



Apprenticeships are a way to get real-world training in a trade or profession. Apprenticeships allow you to earn money while gaining valuable knowledge and experience in a career.

Directions: Click on the **Apprenticeship** box. Read the content and facts under each tile on the page. You will need to move your mouse over each of the tiles for the information to scroll up or appear. When you are done, answer the following questions on Apprenticeship.

- 1. With Apprenticeships, you receive class time and on-the-job training? True or False
- 2. List five careers with **Apprenticeships**:

- 3. What makes you a qualified **journeyman**?
- 4. Most **Apprenticeships** are between years and years.
- 5. What is the national average annual wage for a **plumber**? \$

Never! OK Love it!

Rate this path at the bottom of the Apprenticeship page and click **Continue**.



Straight to Work: We all know someone who didn't go to college and went on to great success. It's a valid option, although it can be a risky one. You'll want to think a lot about your long-term goals for your life.

Directions: Click on the **Straight to Work** box. Read the content and facts under each tile on the page. You will need to move your mouse over each of the tiles for the information to scroll up or appear. When you are done, answer the following questions on Straight to Work.

1	What is th	ne difference	hetween a	ioh a	and a	career?
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2.	On average, peop	le with a high sch	ool diploma earn far	lower wages over their lifetime.	True or False
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3.	You can try job	for a career in which you are interested to observe a
	real workplace in action.	

1.	List three samp	le careers t	hat don	't require ec	lucation af	fter high so	chool	•
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5. What is the national average annual wage for the following careers?

c. Messenger/Courier: \$ _____



Rate this path at the bottom of the Straight to Work page and click **Continue**.



The **Military** is a broad field. There are several branches of services; Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Coast Guard and many different positions within those branches.

Directions: Click on the **Military** box. Read the content and facts under each tile on the page. You will need to move your mouse over each of the tiles for the information to scroll up or appear. When you are done, answer the following questions on Military.

1.	List four	perks to	conside	r when o	choosing	the Milita	ry.

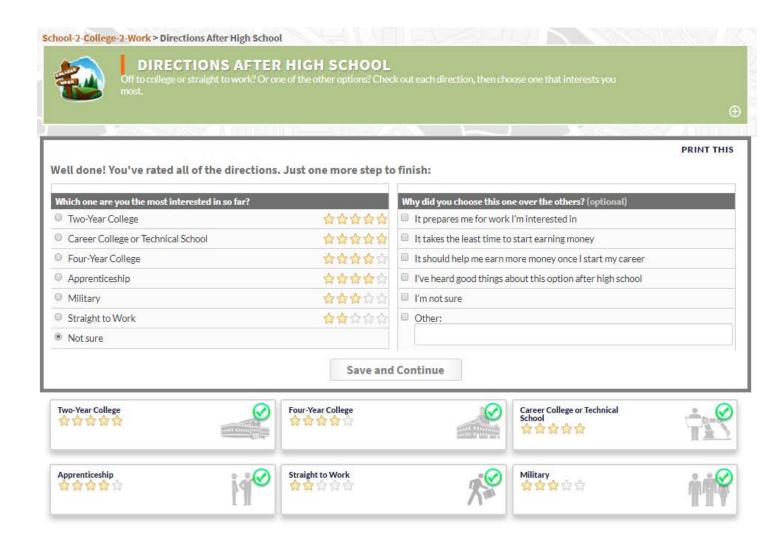
- 2. If you have questions or want a better understanding of the physical and emotional risk of joining the military, who should you talk to?
- 3. Commitment You must agree to a set number of years in the military, and it can be very difficult to get out of that commitment. **True** or **False**
- 4. List five sample careers in the military?



Rate this path at the bottom of the Military page and click **Continue**.

Directions: After completing the questions for all six possibilities, rate the following:

- 1. Make your selection for Which one are you the most interested in so far?
- 2. Make your selection for Why did you choose this one over the others?
- 3. Click Save and Continue



Want to start again from the beginning?

> Clear your ratings and start over



School-2-College-2-Work

Directions After High School Activity

An Introduction to Education Options

ANSWER PAGE

Two-Year College

- 1. List two things you learned about Two-Year Colleges: Answers will vary
- 2. List two Two-Year College in North Dakota: Answers will vary
- 3. Is it possible to transfer from a Two-Year College to a Four-Year College? Yes
- 4. Are you interested in attending a Two-Year College? If not, explain why? Answers will vary

Four-Year College

- 1. List two things you learned about Four-Year Colleges? Answers will vary
- 2. List two Four-Year Colleges in North Dakota? Answers will vary
- 3. Are you interested in attending a Four-Year College? If not, explain why? Answers will vary

Career College or Technical College

- 1. What will you most-likely have when completing a program at a Career College or Technical School? Certificate
- 2. Almost half of the nation's projected job openings will be in careers requiring education beyond high school, but not a four-year degree. True or False TRUE
- 3. How much time does most technical school programs take? Less than two years
- 4. List one pro about career colleges or technical schools? Training is specific, which can help you find a job

Apprenticeship

- 1. With apprenticeships, you receive class time and on-the-job training? True or False TRUE
- 2. List five careers with apprenticeships? Electrician, Carpenter, Plumber, Hairdresser, or Welder (NOTE: hairdresser apprenticeship is not an option in North Dakota, but it is in some states.)
- 3. What makes you a qualified journeyman? Receiving an apprenticeship completion certification
- 4. Most apprenticeships are between ____ years and ____ years. 2 years and 5 years
- 5. What is the national average annual wage for a plumber? \$54,620 (NOTE: subject to change based on the time the lesson is distributed verify in S-2-C-2-W)

Straight to Work

- 1. What is the difference between a job and a career? **Job** pays the bills vs. **Career** has room to grow, pay is more with experience, and chances are you will be passionate about what you are doing
- 2. On average, people with a high school diploma earn far lower wages over their lifetime. True or False TRUE
- 3. You can try job shadowing for a career in which you are interested to observe a real workplace in action.
- 4. List three samples of careers that don't require education after high school. Carpet Installer, Food Counter Worker, Messenger/Courier, Parking Lot Attendant, or Retail Person
- 5. What is the national average annual wage for the following careers?
 - a. Carpet Installers \$41,660 (NOTE: subject to change based on the time the lesson is distributed verify in S-2-C-2-W)
 - b. Retail Salesperson \$25,760 (NOTE: subject to change based on the time the lesson is distributed verify in S-2-C-2-W)
 - c. Messenger/Courier \$28,360 (NOTE: subject to change based on the time the lesson is distributed verify in S-2-C-2-W)

Military

- 1. List four perks to consider when choosing the Military. Paid education, some lifelong benefits, cutting-edge job, or leadership skills
- 2. If you have questions or want a better understanding of the physical and emotional risk of joining the military, who should you talk to? Recruiter or Veteran
- 3. Commitment You must agree to a set number of years in the military, and it can be very difficult to get out of that commitment. True or False TRUE
- 4. List five sample careers in the military? Air Crew Member, Avionics Technician, Surveyor, Infantryman, and Registered Nurse



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Career Clusters Map Activity

An Introduction to Options for School and Work

Access your RUReady.ND.gov account. Follow the sign-in instructions provided by your teacher/counselor.

Follow the steps in order and read directions as you go. Complete all of the activities and answer the questions.

You can easily navigate the RUReady.ND.gov site by clicking on the top tabs to go to each section or go back to a place you were before.

CAREER	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE	FINANCIAL AID	YOUR
PLANNING	PLANNING	PLANNING	PLANNING	PORTFOLIO

- 1. Click on the **YOUR PORTFOLIO** tab at the top of the page.
- 2. Click on the link to **School-2-College-2-Work**.



3. Find the Career Clusters Map activity and click on Get Started.



4. Click on All About Career Clusters and Pathways and complete the activity below.



All About Career Clusters and Pathways

Directions: Read the content and facts under each tile on the page. You will need to move your mouse over each of the tiles for the information to scroll up or appear.



When you are done, answer the questions on the next page.

1.	Every cluster contains pathways: smaller groups of careers with more specialized
	and
	List two things you learned about the Career Clusters and Pathways from the tiles on the All About Caree Clusters and Pathways page:
	1.
	2.
Ca	Click the Continue button at the bottom of the screen when you have completed the above questions. reer Clusters – How and Why
Dire	ections: Read the How? and Why? at the top of the Career Clusters Map page.
	CAREER CLUSTERS MAP Map out future possibilities by learning about the careers, programs and courses in the Career Clusters you like best. How? Why?

You are now ready to explore Career Clusters and learn about possible careers, programs, and courses!

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3 .	You will find 16 Career	Clusters boxes.	choose the top three	career clusters	tnat interest v	ou:

1.

2. _____

3. ______

Answer the questions on the next page about the Career Clusters you chose.

	first Career Cluster I am exploring is: What is the job outlook for this cluster?
2.	List the sample programs that interest you:
3.	List the sample careers that interest you:
4.	How many pathways are there for this cluster:
5.	List all of the pathways for this cluster:
Th <u>e</u> s	second Career Cluster I am exploring is:
1.	. What is the job outlook for this cluster?
2.	. List the sample programs that interest you:
3.	. List the sample careers that interest you:
4.	. How many pathways are there for this cluster?
5.	. List all of the pathways for this cluster:
 The t	third Career Cluster I am exploring is:
	. What is the job outlook for this cluster?
2.	. List the sample programs that interest you:
3.	. List the sample careers that interest you:
4.	. How many pathways are there for this cluster?
5.	. List all of the pathways for this cluster:
	n you have completed the questions about each Career Cluster, write a sentence about the Career Cluste ke most and what makes it appealing to you:



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Career Clusters Map Activity

depending on the Career Clusters the students chose.

An Introduction to Options for School and Work

Answer Page:

All About Career Clusters and Pathways

1.	Every cluster contains pathways: smaller groups of careers with more specialized			
	skills andknowle	dge		
2.	 List two things you learned about the Career Clusters an Clusters and Pathways page: 	List two things you learned about the Career Clusters and Pathways from the tiles on the All About Career Clusters and Pathways page:		
	 Answers will vary. Answers will vary. 			
3.	3. You will find 16 Career Clusters boxes. Choose the top t	hree Career Clusters that interest you:		
	The answers for the 16 Career Clusters and Pat	The answers for the 16 Career Clusters and Pathways section will vary for all students,		



THE CAREER KEY

- The Career Key is found in RUReady.ND.gov in the Career Planning tab under Learn About Yourself.
- Students must be signed in to their RUReady.ND.gov account to access the survey.



The Career Key is an assessment tool catering to middle school students. It helps individuals identify their work-related interests, gain self-knowledge about their vocational personality type, and develop career awareness of matching occupations. Like the Interest Profiler, **The Career Key** assesses Holland personality types which include Conventional, Social, Enterprising, Artistic, Realistic, and Investigative

The Career Key takes 10 to 15 minutes to complete. Results from the Career Key can be compared later to results from the Interest Profiler. Users make selections in five categories –careers of interest, your interests, your abilities, how you see yourself and your values. The Career Key then returns a Results page, ranking the user's interest areas based on the Holland personality types, and emphasizing the user's top two interest areas. On this page, users can jot down their thoughts about their results in the "Reflections" field.

The Career Key then offers a Careers page, listing careers that match the user's interests. By clicking any of the career titles, users can obtain detailed information about the career. Results from **The Career Key** assessment are automatically stored in Your Portfolio in the Career Planning section under All About You.

If users start the Career Key but do not complete it, they can continue where they left off when they return to the assessment later. They can also choose to start over and discard the partially completed assessment.

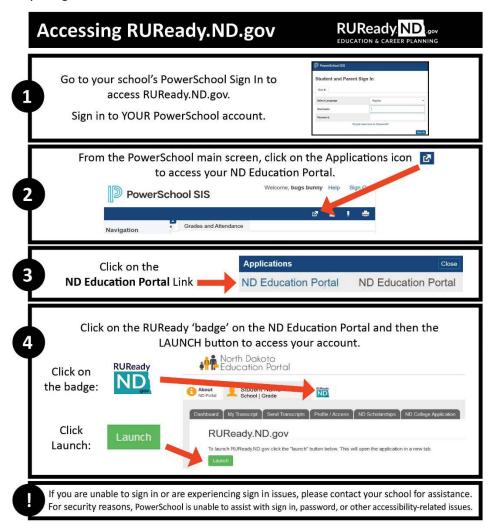
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Career Exploration with RUReady.ND.gov CAREER ASSESSMENT — CAREER KEY

What do I want to do? What are my goals?

1. Sign in to your RUReady.ND.gov account:



- 2. Click the CAREER PLANNING tab.
- 3. Click on Learn About Yourself.
- 4. Click on The Career Key.
- 5. Click Get Started.
- 6. Complete the checklists.
- 7. Read through your results. What are your top two Interest areas? (circle your top two below)

	Realistic	Investigative	Artistic	Social	Enterprising	Conventional
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Click View Careers on the bottom of the results.

) Erom vo!:-+	what are four careers that interest you new?
. From your list,	, what are four careers that interest you now?
1	2.
3	4.
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rections: Choos	e one career from your list above and answer the following questions.
hat career are y	ou researching?
	career in the list. Watch the career video (if available) then read about What They Do. hat career cluster/career pathway is this career a part of?
Cl	uster: Pathway:
b. Lis	st three of the typical tasks/responsibilities this career requires you to do.
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	st three of the Working Conditions and Physical Demands.
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	hat are the working hours? Are there any travel requirements?
W	orking Hours: Travel Requirements:
	ook at the Specialty or Similar Careers list. List two or more other careers that are similar or related to the reer you selected.
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9. Spend some time researching matching careers by choosing one of the following search tools:

Under the **Careers** heading click a career to see its profile.

3. Circle the Interest areas that are listed for this career: Realistic Investigative Artistic Social **Enterprising** Conventional a. Which two Interest areas are YOUR top interest areas? (circled in #7 at the bottom of page one) b. Are your **Interest** areas the same or different? ☐ Same ☐ Different c. List two **Work Values** for the career you are researching: 2. _____ d. List two **Aptitudes** for the career you are researching: 4. Click on the What To Learn tab. a. Under High School, what Cluster and Pathway should you look at to learn more about the courses that are recommended in high school? Cluster: _____ Pathway: _____ b. Under Beyond High School are there any programs listed that you should consider if you're interested in this career? Program(s) listed: ______ c. Scroll down to **Education Level**. Is an education level beyond high school required? \square YES \square NO If yes, what kind of degree is required and how many years will it take to complete? (Scroll down to the bottom of the page to see if there are any Extra Requirements.) Degree ______ How many years to complete? _____ Extra Requirements d. Read Insider Info for more information about this career (if available). List 2 things you learned:

Click on the Is This For You tab on the right. Review the Interests, Work Values, and Aptitudes for this career.

2.

5.	Click on the Money & Out	ook tab.	
	a. How much money	can you earn in this career in North Dakota? Nationally?	
	1. North Dakota	Average Annual Wage:	
		(If North Dakota is not listed, answer with	
	2. National Aver	age Annual Wage:	
	3 What is the N	ational Employment and Outlook for this career?	
	Outlook:	Job Openings Employment: _	
	Growth:	Industries:	
6.	Is this a career that you wo	ould consider?	
	Why or why not? Be speci	ic	
7.	Click on the Military Ontic	ns tab. Does the military offer this career? ☐ YES ☐ NO	
,	• •	ches of military service that offer this career:	
	a. II yes, list the bran	ches of military service that offer this career.	
8.	Click on the Connections t	ab. Name 2 or 3 other Connections related to this career, i.e., associ	
9.	You can search for jobs in	this career in North Dakota and nationally on the Connections page.	What job banks are
	offered when you choose	North Dakota?	
	North Dakota:		
	National:		
10		If provided, read through the Interview for this career. After reading what you thought it would be? \square YES \square NO	ng the Interview, do you
1	1. Click on the Real-Life Activ	rities tab. Complete the Real-Life Activities for this career. What are	e your results?
	Real-Life Math Activity:		
	Real-Life Decision-Making	Activity:	
		Activity:	
	ical Life Communication?		
	Other Activities: ompare to Another Career omplete a Career Plan	What questions do you still have?	



CAREER CLUSTER SURVEY

- The Career Cluster Survey is found in RUReady.ND.gov in the Career Planning tab under Learn About Yourself.
- Students must be signed in to their RUReady.ND.gov account to access the survey.



The **Career Cluster Survey** is a short quiz that can help users narrow down a Career Cluster for further research. Career clusters are groups of careers that share similar skills and interests. The **Career Cluster Survey** does not replace validated tests like the Interest Profiler, however; it makes an excellent starting point for students who need help finding a general direction for their career exploration. Most participants can complete the **Career Cluster Survey** in 15 to 25 minutes.

Students interested in specific careers can find related options that might interest them by using the clusters. For example, a student who is interested in becoming a physician, but is wary of the length of required education, can find similar careers by looking in the Health Science cluster. The survey asks users questions about themselves, and then gives them a list of clusters matching their criteria.

During the quiz, students complete three checklists -- an activities checklist, choosing the activities they are interested in, a personal qualities checklist, selecting the words that best describe themselves, and a school subjects checklist, indicating the school subjects that they enjoy most.

The **Career Cluster Survey** then displays a list of career clusters matching the user's selections. By clicking on a cluster heading, users can learn more about that group of careers. They can also view the careers, programs or high school course plan for a cluster. Users can combine their top career clusters with earnings, educational levels or other characteristics to help narrow down their search the Career Finder.

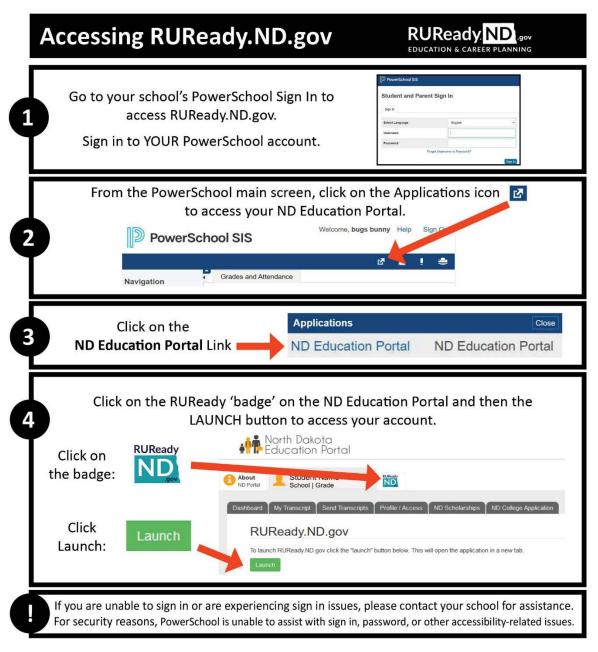
A bar graph ranks the user's clusters -- from the closest match to the furthest match. The user's survey selections are also listed so users can review their earlier choices. Users can add a cluster to their portfolio. They're also encouraged to think about their results and write down their thoughts in their Portfolio Journal.

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Career Cluster Survey

1. Sign in to your RUReady.ND.gov account:



- 2. Click on the Career Planning tab.
- 3. Click on Learn About Yourself
- 4. Click on Career Cluster Survey
- 5. Click on **Start**
- 6. Check the boxes of things you would like to do in the future, and the ones you are interested in and can do now. Complete each page and click continue through all 7 pages to the **Results** page.

7. On the **Results** page, your selections are listed for you to go over. If you would like to go back and take the survey again to make some changes you may do so.

From your results, **My Top Clusters**, circle your top two or three clusters:

Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	Education & Training	Hospitality & Tourism	Manufacturing	
Architecture & Construction	Finance	Human Services	Marketing, Sales & Service	
Arts, Audio/Video Technology & Communications	Government & Public Administration	Information Technology	Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics	
Business, Management & Administration	Health Science	Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	Transportation, Distribution & Logistics	

- 8. Complete the **Does This Sound Like You? My Reflection** results box at the bottom of the page. **Save**.
- 9. Click on the bar graph of one of **Your Top Career Clusters**. This will take you to an **Introduction** of the cluster and provide information on pathways in this cluster, careers, employment outlook, etc. To save this cluster click **Save to Portfolio**.
- 10. In the menu on the right side of the page, click on Careers. Click Sort by Education Level.
- 11. Click on the career of interest to learn more. Watch the video, if available, and click on each menu item on the right for specific information. If you would like to save a career, click **Save to Portfolio**.
- 12. **List 3 careers that interest you now** and list below. Also, include the required education level for each:

	Career #1	# years college/training
	Career #2	_ # years college/training
	Career #3	_ # years college/training
13.	When finished, click on the YOUR PORTFOLIO tab in the main mer	u (top right corner).
14.	Click on Your Journal	
15.	Click on Add a new journal entry.	
16.	For your Journal Entry , type in this sentence, entering the careers	you chose in question 12 above.
	Today I am most interested incareer w	hich requires years of
	college/training);career which requires	years of college/training;
	and, career which requires year	
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17.	Click Save	
MOR	RE ACTIVITIES	
Step	1: Click on the Career Planning tab. Click on Explore Careers. Und top cluster from the Career Cluster Survey you took to see a lis	•
	Write down two careers from your list that you find the most in	teresting.
	1 2	
	*If a video is available, watch it to learn about the career and fi	nd out what they do. Read more about

these careers.

Step 2:	Click on the Career Planning tab. Click on Explore Careers . Click on Career Finder . In the menu on the right side of the page, click on School Subjects . Select one school subject you are interested in and click on See Your Matching Careers . Select one career that interests you. Write it here and save it to Your Portfolio .				
	Is the career you chose for this step in your top career cluster ? YES NO If not, which career cluster is the career a part of?				
	Click on the Career Planning tab. Find Check out this library of advice from career experts. Select Career				
	Planning. Select read Plot Your Career Path. Write 1-2 sentences about what you learned:				

This worksheet is for you to use and share with your guardian(s).

- Start the conversation about your future. How are you saving for college? What are your goals? What do you need to do to achieve your goals?
- Share the RUReady.ND.gov website with your guardians to help you prepare for the future. You can access the RUReady.ND.gov any time, at school or at home, and use it for career and college planning.



INTEREST PROFILER

Interest Profiler

The Interest Profiler is an assessment tool which

- helps individuals identify their work-related interests
- gain self-knowledge about their vocational personality type, and
- develop career awareness of matching occupations.

For teachers and counselors, the Interest Profiler is a great classroom activity because it can be done in one class. It is important to remind users that the Interest Profiler is not a test. There are no right or wrong answers, only answers that accurately reflect their own interests. The results should be used for career exploration. The Interest Profiler is appropriate for users 14 years of age or older with eighth grade or higher-level reading skills. Most participants can complete the Interest Profiler and print the results in 5 to 15 minutes.

The Interest Profiler is composed of 60 statements, each describing a work activity. The statements represent activities in a broad range of careers and training levels. Users are asked to choose one of five possible answers for each of the activities: Strongly Dislike, Dislike, Not Sure, Like and Strongly Like.

The Interest Profiler reveals the statements one screen at a time, so users can really focus on each statement. The assessment can be stopped at any time – answered questions are stored in increments of 10, so users can return to the Interest Profiler at the last increment level they completed. For instance, if users answered 35 questions, the system would save questions 1 to 30. If users answered only 8 questions, they would have to start again at question 1 when they returned to the assessment.

At completion of the assessment, the user's occupational interest areas are presented. These interest areas include: **Realistic, Investigative, Artistic, Social, Enterprising, Conventional**. Results are then matched with a list of possible careers. Results can also be imported into the **Career Finder** and combined with other factors in the user's search for occupations, to build a more specific list of results. Users are also encouraged to think about their results and write down their thoughts in their Portfolio Journal.

Student Access: Sign in to RUReady.ND.gov > Career Planning > Learn About Yourself > Interest Profiler



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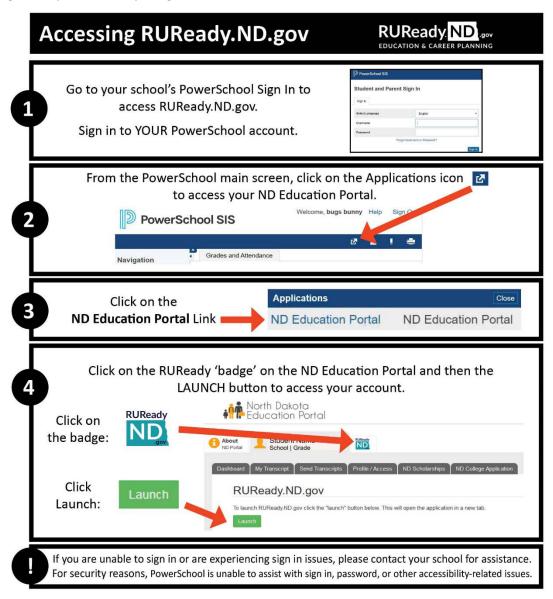
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RUReady.ND.gov Interest Profiler and Career Exploration

1. Sign in to your RUReady.ND.gov account:



- 2. Click on the Career Planning tab.
- 3. Click on Learn About Yourself
- 4. Click on Interest Profiler
- 5. Click Get Started. Answer the questions using Strongly Dislike, Dislike, Unsure, Like, and Strongly Like.
- 6. Read through your results.
- 7. Complete the **Reflecting on your Interest Profiler results** at the bottom of the page then click **Save**. What are your **top two interest areas**? Circle your top two:

Realistic	Investigative	Artistic	Social	Enterprising	Conventional

8. Click Matching Careers (located on the top or bottom of the page on the right side).

- 9. Spend some time researching matching careers by choosing one of the following:
 - The **Best Match** tab click a career to see its profile.
 - The **Education Level** tab to view careers at certain education levels, i.e., Professional or graduate degree, Bachelor's degree, one to two years post-secondary training, High school completed (GED), High school not completed (but preferred).

Tip! Click on the stars in the Your Match column to see how closely you match the interest profile of the career.

- 10. Locate Refine Your Search on the left side of the page. Click on Use these interests in the Career Finder to combine your interests with earnings, education and other characteristics.
- 11. At the bottom click **See Your Matching Careers** (to add interest results to search).
- To add more characteristics to your search, choose the characteristic you'd like to add by clicking on it and 12. making your choices.
 - For example, on the left side, click on Education Level. Choose the level of education you would like to complete after high school (not the level you have now). Click See Your Matching Careers.
- 13. If you have no careers that match all the characteristics you selected, change your selections or click on View careers that match all but 1 of the characteristics you selected.

14.	You can	sort your list by State Averag	ge Annual Earnings (click twice so the highest paid positions are at the
	top of yo	our list).	
15.	From yo	ur lists, what are four careers	s that interest you now?
	1		2
	3		4
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Wh	at career	are you researching?	ur list on page 1 and answer the following questions.
1.			the career video (if available) then read about What They Do. pathway does this career fall under?
		Career Cluster:	Career Pathway:
	b.		ks/responsibilities this career requires you to do.
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		3	
	C.	List three of the working co	onditions and physical demands.

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C.	LIST 2 WOR	k Values for the car	eer you are resea	rcning:		
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. Click on	the What to Learn tab on the	left.
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a.	Under High School , what Clu	uster and Pathway should you look at to learn more about the
	courses that are recommend	ded in high school?
	Cluster:	Pathway:
b.	Under Beyond High School a	are there any programs listed that you should consider if you're
	interested in this career?	
	Program(s) listed:	
c.	Scroll down to Education Le	evel. Is an education level beyond high school required? YES NO
	If yes, what kind of degree is	s required and how many years will it take to complete? (Scroll down t
	the bottom of the page to se	ee if there are any Extra Requirements.)
	Degree	How many years to complete?
	Add any Additional Informa	tion or Extra Requirements you think are important:
5. Click o	n the Money & Outlook tab.	
	·	earn in this career in North Dakota? Nationally?
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Read about Workplace Skills and list at least 1 workplace skill used in this career:

7.	Read more about this career under the Connections tab. You can find out about associations, internet
	sites, related career information, military career opportunities and access to job banks by state. You car
	also learn more by reading information on the Interview tab, if provided.
8.	Is this a career that you would consider? □YES □ NO
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9.	What questions do you still have?



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Access your RUReady.ND.gov account. Follow the sign-in instructions provided by your teacher/counselor.

Today we are going get acquainted with **RUReady.ND.gov** by going on a **Scavenger Hunt**.

Just follow the steps in order and read directions as you go. Complete all the activities and answer the questions as honestly as you can. Assessment results will automatically be saved in your portfolio.

You can easily navigate the RUReady.ND.gov site by clicking on the top tabs to go to each section or go back to a place you were before.

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CAREER	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE	FINANCIAL AID	YOUR
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A)	Click on the CAREER PLANNING tab at the top of the page	age.
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1.	questions. Read the results page. Select two of Your Top Interest Areas and click on View Careers . Write your top two interest areas below:
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2.	Return to the previous page and complete the Reflections box at the bottom of the page. Save.
3.	Return to <u>LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF</u> and click on <u>CAREER CLUSTER SURVEY</u> . If you haven't already done so, take the survey!
	List your top Career Cluster:
4.	Complete the Reflections box at the bottom of the page. Save .
5.	Click on Explore Careers. Under Browse Career Clusters, click on your top cluster from the Career Cluster Survey you took in Step 3 to see a list of careers to explore. Click on those you find interesting and read more about them. If one is available, watch a video about a career to find out what they do.
6.	Write down two careers that came up on your list that you find interesting. Click on Add to Portfolio to save them.
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7.	Return to Explore Careers. Locate Career Exploration Tools. Click on Career Finder. Under Choose Characteristics on the left look under the heading Education and click on School Subjects. Look at the list. Select a school subject you are interested in and look at the matching careers. Select two careers and list here. If interested in these careers add to your portfolio.
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	rkplace, Select and read Achieving Success on the Job. Write a complete sentence about what you learned:
9.	Return to <u>LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF</u> locate and click on <u>COMPASS PROFILE</u> . If you haven't already done so, complete the assessment! What is your Holland Code?
10.	Return to <u>Career Planning</u> locate and click on <u>Explore Work-Based Learning Opportunities</u> . Click on <u>Matching</u> Opportunities to find matching work-based opportunities (View all if there are no matching results). List 2 opportunities that match your Compass Profile results.
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	k on the HIGH SCHOOL PLANNING tab at the top of the page. This is where your academic plan meets ir career plan.
1.	Create a Plan of Study for yourself or work with your School Counselor to create a plan starting from a customized school district plan.
2.	Click on <u>High School Planning Timeline</u> . Select the grade you are in and look at the checklist, click on a link liste in green .
3.	<u>Succeeding in High School</u> is a great place to get help or to check out the resourceful web sites for fun, homework helpers, and/or project ideas.
4.	Click on one Homework Helper you think may be of interest to you and write it below:
Fir	d the SEARCH feature. Use it to find the following information:
1.	What is the average annual wage for a Registered Nurse ?
2.	What does a Sonographer do?
	In what Cluster is this career located?
	What Education Level is required?
3.	What is the Outlook in North Dakota for an Architectural Drafter?
	What is the Growth Rate ?
	Estimated Job Openings in: North Dakota the United States

D) The decision to go to college is a big step. Go to the COLLEGE PLANNING tab to learn more.

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	1.	Find and click on Prepare for College . Click on COLLEGE PLANNING TIMELINE . Read the suggestions for you	ur			
	grade level. It is important information for you to think about if you are considering college. 2. RUReady.ND.gov has free tools students can use to prepare for the ACT exam and other tests.					
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	3.	EXPLORE SCHOOLS by School Type and Location . Click View Matching Schools and list two.				
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	4.	Find <u>SCHOOL EXPLORATION TOOLS</u> . Using the <u>Distance Search</u> find the campus closest to your zip code. I here:	ist			
E)	List	and explore the six sections of the FINANCIAL AID PLANNING tab:				
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	7.	Which section would you go to learn about managing your money?				
	8.	Which section would you go to learn about the options available for financial aid?				
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F) Go to the YOUR PORTFOLIO tab. This is where all your CAREER PLANNING information is stored.

Sign out and return to RUReady.ND.gov often!



RUReady.ND.gov Professional Resource

Using the Career Finder in RUReady.ND.gov with Students/Clients

	The Career Finder helps individuals narrow down lists of hundreds of careers to only the ones matching the characteristics they want.						
1	Access your RUReady.ND.gov account. Follow the sign-in instructions provided by your teacher/counselor.						
2	Click on the "Career Planning" tab. CAREER PLANNING						
3	Click on "Learn About Yourself" Learn About Yourself Discover your interests, skills, and work values! Then match them to careers.						
	Complete the "Interest Profiler" and the "Work Values" Assessment						
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	Interest Profiler Find your work values and match them to career options.						
	Optional—Have the student/client take the Career Cluster survey. Or, have the student/client look over the 16 Career Clusters and identify two or three of interest.						
5	Click on the "Career Planning" tab. CAREER PLANNING						
6	Click on "Explore Careers."						
7	In the Career Exploration Tools, click on "Career Finder." Career Finder Search for careers using interesting topics such as salaries and skills						
8	Begin by working with the search filters in the "My Characteristics" section. My Characteristics Interests Work Values Aptitudes						

Select one or two "interests" or Holland codes, or Interest Profiler Search for careers by choosing the click "Use Interest Profile Results." interests that best describe you. Use Interest Profiler results Remember to only pick one or two interests. Career Finder will return careers that match all your choices. Work Values Select one or two "work values" or click Work Values Sorter Search for careers by choosing work 9 "Use Work Values Sorter results." values that are most important to you. Use Work Values Sorter results **Aptitudes** Select "aptitudes" that apply to the student/client when working. Search for careers by selecting the aptitude Being too general with "aptitudes" will make the search less effective. rating that describes who you are. Remember aptitudes are ratings that tell you how quickly and easily you learn in comparison to others. Aptitude levels below the ones you select will be automatically included unless you uncheck them. Scroll down and click SEE YOUR MATCHING CAREERS > 10 This level of search can yield hundreds of occupations sorted by relevance. Have the student/client look at the first page of the list to see if there is anything that stands out as interesting to them. The next step is to add a bit more information to pare down the list. A good next step is to filter by "Education Level." Click and select Education the level of education the student/client is willing to complete. Education Level 11 Post-Secondary Programs School Subjects Apprenticeships Select a level of income by clicking on "Earnings" and mark the Money and Outlook 12 amount of money desired in an occupation. Earnings Outlook Scroll down and click SEE YOUR MATCHING CAREERS > 13 • The two criteria above, "Education Level" and "Earnings" will narrow down the list considerably! Ask the student/client to take a look at the list of occupations for any that might interest them. At the bottom of the list, there is the option to look at occupations that match all but one of the

selected criteria. This will expand the list again, if selected.

Applying education and income filters can limit the search findings considerably. Before the student/client adds filters, they may want to try applying criteria from the following areas:

- Add a Career Cluster pathway or two.
 - Adding too many career clusters will yield zero results.
- Add Outlook values.
- Add values from the Skills section—Basic, Transferrable and Workplace Skills.

Adding too many criteria at once may cause the search to yield zero results. To avoid this, try adding one at a time and running the search!



Methodize ACT/SAT Test Prep in RUReady.ND.gov

Frequently Asked Questions

https://procenter.ruready.nd.gov/Resources/faq.aspx

How do I create a class (group) for my students in Methodize?

Before creating a class (group), your students need to access Methodize. Student accounts are created when the students first accesses Methodize through the link in RUReady.ND.gov. You cannot see student accounts if they have not signed in to Methodize.

Within Methodize, navigate to Classes. Click "+ Add Class". Follow the prompts, click the "Add Class" button, and then click "+ Add Students". You will see that there are different options for adding students, but you should only use the "School" option which allows you to add students who have accessed Methodize in their RUReady.ND.gov account. If you use the other options, duplicate student accounts will be created in Methodize.

Why can't I find a specific student in Methodize?

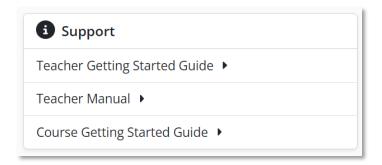
Accounts for students in grades 9-12 are created in Methodize when the student first accesses Methodize through **RUReady.ND.gov**. If a student account is not found in Methodize, please instruct the student to sign into RUReady.ND.gov and click on the Methodize badge or click through to Methodize from the Test Prep badge in College Planning. Once the student accepts the Statement of Understand and reaches the Methodize platform, their account will be created and will then be visible to professionals at that school.

I work with multiple schools in North Dakota. How do I access different schools in Methodize?

Access to schools in Methodize is based on the professional's school connection in the RUReady.ND.gov Professional Center. Sign into the Professional Center for the school you wish to work with and click on the link to Methodize.

I have additional questions about Methodize. Where do I find additional resources?

Support resources are available on the Methodize dashboard:



Methodize Customer Support can also be reached at 877-871-PREP (7737) ext. 11

Still having trouble? Contact us at 800-468-6927 or support@xap.com.

