

Correlation of Career Cruising and the Academic Standards for Career Education and Work (Pennsylvania Department of Education)

Grade 8 Benchmarks

Standard	Location within Career Cruising	Career Cruising Online Feature/Activity	Career Cruising Supplementary Activity/Worksheet
13.1.11 Career Awareness and Preparation			
A. Relate careers to individual interests, abilities, and aptitudes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers ➤ Career Matchmaker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles ➤ View multimedia interviews for perspectives from people in each career ➤ Complete Career Matchmaker interest assessment ➤ Complete My Skills component of Career Matchmaker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 3 – Using Career Matchmaker ➤ Activity 11 – Using My Skills
B. Relate careers to personal interests, abilities, and aptitudes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers ➤ Career Matchmaker ➤ Portfolio Tool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles ➤ Use Career Selector search tool ➤ View multimedia interviews ➤ Complete Career Matchmaker interest assessment ➤ Complete My Skills component of Career Matchmaker ➤ Explore Suitable for You feedback from Career Matchmaker for interests and skills ➤ Save Careers of Interest to the Portfolio ➤ Record Hobbies & Interests and Skills & Abilities in the Portfolio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 3 – Using Career Matchmaker ➤ Activity 4 – Your Career Ideas & Career Matchmaker ➤ Activity 5 – Using Career Selector ➤ Activity 11 – Using My Skills ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 2 – Saving Your Career Matchmaker Results ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 3 – Careers that Interest Me
C. Explain how both traditional and nontraditional careers offer or hinder career opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles: Job Description, Working Conditions, Earnings, Education, and Sample Career Path sections ➤ Examine Wage and Outlook information in the Earnings section of career profiles ➤ View multimedia interviews 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 1 – School Subjects & Careers ➤ Activity 2 – Using School Subjects in the Workplace ➤ Activity 9 – Career Interview Project

<p>D. Explain the relationship of career training programs to employment opportunities.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers ➤ Explore Schools ➤ Portfolio Tool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles: Education (Education & Training, Related College Programs, and Other Qualifications) and Sample Career Path sections ➤ Sort Search by School Subject and Search by Cluster search results pages by education level ➤ Use Career Selector search tool to sort careers by education level ➤ View multimedia interviews ➤ Explore school profiles for career and technical schools, two- and four-year colleges, and graduate schools ➤ Use School Selector search tool ➤ Complete Schools that Interest Me and Post-Secondary Plan sections of the Portfolio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 1 – School Subjects & Careers ➤ Activity 2 – Using School Subjects in the Workplace ➤ Activity 5 – Using Career Selector ➤ Activity 12 – College Research Exercise ➤ Activity 13 – Finding the Right College ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 4 – Schools that Interest Me
<p>E. Analyze the economic factors that impact employment opportunities, such as, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competition • Geographic location • Global influences • Job growth • Job openings • Labor supply • Potential advancement • Potential earnings • Salaries/benefits • Unemployment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles: Working Conditions, Earnings, and Education sections ➤ Examine Wage and Outlook information in the Earnings section of career profiles ➤ Use Career Selector search tool ➤ View multimedia interviews 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 5 – Using Career Selector ➤ Activity 9 – Career Interview Project
<p>F. Analyze the relationship of school subjects, extracurricular activities, and community experiences to career preparation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers ➤ Portfolio Tool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Use Search by School Subject search tool ➤ Explore career profiles: Education (Education & Training, Suggested High School Subjects, and Other Qualifications) section ➤ Use Career Selector search tool to search for related careers by school subject ➤ View multimedia interviews: Questions & Answers and Likes & Dislikes sections ➤ Record Extracurricular Activities, Hobbies & Interests, and Volunteer Experiences in the Portfolio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 1 – School Subjects & Careers ➤ Activity 2 – Using School Subjects in the Workplace ➤ Activity 5 – Using Career Selector ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 7 – Abilities, Activities & Awards ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 8 – Work & Volunteer Experiences

<p>G. Create an individualized career plan including, such as, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment and continued development of career portfolio • Career goals • Cluster/pathway opportunities • Individual interests and abilities • Training/education requirements and financing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Portfolio Tool ➤ Explore Schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Create a Portfolio and record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment results • Career exploration activities • Education exploration activities • Career, education and life goals • Career planning and development activities • Work and community service experiences • Extracurricular activities and interests • Awards, certificates, and recognitions • Skills and abilities ➤ Upload related electronic files (e.g. presentations, essays, etc.) to the Portfolio ➤ Explore school profiles for schools offering related college and university programs, including estimated expenses ➤ Use Financial Aid Selector to find scholarship opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 12 – College Research Exercise ➤ Career Portfolio Activities 1 – 8
<p>H. Choose personal electives and extra curricular activities based upon personal career interests, abilities and academic strengths.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Career Matchmaker ➤ Portfolio Tool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Complete Career Matchmaker interest assessment ➤ Complete My Skills component of Career Matchmaker ➤ Record Extracurricular Activities, Hobbies & Interests, and Volunteer Experiences in the Portfolio ➤ Complete High School Education Plan section in the Portfolio 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 3 – Using Career Matchmaker ➤ Activity 4 – Your Career Ideas & Career Matchmaker ➤ Activity 10 – Discovering Your Work Skills ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 5 – High School Education Plan ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 7 – Abilities, Activities & Awards ➤ Career Portfolio Activity 8 – Work & Volunteer Experiences
<p>13.2. Career Acquisition (Getting a Job)</p>			
<p>B. Evaluate resources available in researching job opportunities, such as, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CareerLinks • Internet (i.e. O-NET) • Networking • Newspapers • Professional associations • Resource books (that is Occupational Outlook Handbook, PA Career Guide) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers ➤ Portfolio Tool 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles: Other Resources section, including links to BLS profiles, professional associations, and other related sites ➤ Examine Wage and Outlook information in the Earnings section of career profiles ➤ Bookmark sites of interest using Your Links section of the Portfolio 	

A. Determine attitudes and work habits that support career retention and advancement.	➤ Explore Careers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles: Education (Other Qualifications) and Sample Career Path sections ➤ View multimedia interviews: Questions & Answers, Likes & Dislikes, and Advice sections 	➤ Activity 9 – Career Interview Project
B. Analyze the role of each participant’s contribution in a team setting.		➤ Complete and reflect on Activity 8 – Career Fair Project	➤ Activity 8 – Career Fair Project
E. Identify and apply time management strategies as they relate to both personal and work situations.	➤ Explore Careers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ View multimedia interviews: A Day in the Life and Breakdown of Activities sections ➤ Complete and reflect on Activity 10 – Discovering Your Work Skills 	➤ Activity 10 – Discovering Your Work Skills
F. Identify characteristics of the changing workplace including Americans with Disabilities Act accommodations, and explain their impact on jobs and employment.	➤ Explore Careers	➤ View multimedia interviews: Questions & Answers and Advice sections	➤ Activity 9 – Career Interview Project
G. Identify formal and informal lifelong learning opportunities that support career retention and advancement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Careers ➤ Explore Schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore career profiles: Education and Sample Career Path sections ➤ View multimedia interviews: Questions & Answers and Advice sections ➤ Use School Selector search tools ➤ Explore school profiles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 12 – College Research Exercise ➤ Activity 13 – Finding the Right College
13.4. Entrepreneurship			
A. Compare and contrast entrepreneurship to traditional employment, such as, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Benefits • Job security • Operating costs • Wages 	➤ Explore Careers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Entrepreneur career profile ➤ Compare career profiles: Working Conditions and Earnings sections ➤ View multimedia interviews: Questions & Answers and Likes & Dislikes sections 	
B. Evaluate how entrepreneurial character traits influence career opportunities.	➤ Explore Careers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Entrepreneur career profile ➤ View multimedia interviews: Questions & Answers, Likes & Dislikes, and Advice sections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Activity 4 – Your Career Ideas & Career Matchmaker (Using Entrepreneur as the chosen career) ➤ Activity 11 – Using My Skills (Using Entrepreneur as the chosen career)