



FUTURE READY FRAMEWORK

COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS PROGRAM



Before 9th Grade

- Complete career interest survey
- Learn about elective programs
- Select courses & extracurricular activities aligned to goals

By End of 9th Grade



Learn

- Graduation Requirements
- Postsecondary Education Options after High School
- Costs of College & Benefits of Early College Credit

Plan

- Set Postsecondary Education & Career Goals (Schoollinks)
- Multi-Year Course Plan

Experience

- Visit a College Campus

By End of 10th Grade



Learn

- Workforce Trends & High-Demand Careers
- Internships & Career Training Programs
- College Admissions Requirements

Plan

- Update Postsecondary Education & Career Goal (Schoollinks)
- Update a Multi-Year Course Plan aligned with career goal

Experience

- Visit a Career Site or Program
- Attend a Career Fair

By End of 11th Grade



Learn

- Postsecondary Education Affordability & Funding
- College and Career Alumni Expectations
- Illinois One-Click College Application

Plan

- Enroll in advanced coursework aligned to career goal
- Create a Postsecondary Action Plan
- Create a Resume

Experience

- Job Shadow
- Attend a College Fair

By End of 12th Grade



Execute

Postsecondary Action Plan:

- Create a Common App
- Apply to at least one Postsecondary Program (College, Apprenticeship, Military, etc.)
- Complete a Financial Aid Application
- Follow through with enrollment steps



FUTURE READY STUDENT

- Postsecondary Plan Completed
- Real-World Experience
- Career-Aligned Coursework
- Confident in Next Steps