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Letter to Teachers

Since 1989, the Delaware Department of Labor has produced and distributed the Delaware Career Compass to Delaware’s 8th through 12th grade students. The Compass guides students through the four phases of career development as outlined by the National Career Development Guidelines.

The Delaware Career Compass Teacher’s Guide was developed by the Delaware Career Compass Advisory Committee. This group of teachers and school counselors has designed supplemental activities to enhance the use of the Compass in your classroom. These activities are based upon their collective experience of classroom use of the Compass. This Committee meets annually to review the Compass and Guide and makes suggestions for improved service to Delaware students.

The Teacher’s Guide format corresponds to the four stages of career development outlined in the Compass as Step 1 through 4: Self-Assessment, Exploring Careers, Making a Decision, and Action Plan. In the Guide, these Steps are organized into six Lesson Plans. You’ll notice that Step #4 has been divided into three Lesson Plans to simplify use.

Step #1: “Who Am I?”. Self-Assessment Lesson Plan
Step #2: “What’s Out There?”. Exploring Careers Lesson Plan
Step #3: “How Do I Decide?”. Decision Process Lesson Plan
Step #4: “How Do I Do It?”. Taking Action
Section A: Educational Opportunities Lesson Plan
Section B: Postsecondary Opportunities Lesson Plan
Section C: Job Search Lesson Plan

Each Lesson Plan consists of: 1) an overview; 2) a list of the Delaware Department of Education State Standards (in the core areas of Language Arts, Economics, and Mathematics) addressed by the activities in the lesson; 3) teacher instructions with helpful hints and an activity answer key; and 4) a list of the student activities with the approximate completion time required for each activity. The activities each correspond to an article in the Delaware Career Compass, referenced by specific page numbers. (Note: If a student is expected to supply an original answer to an activity question, we have noted “self-answer” on the answer key.)

The Delaware Career Compass and its Teacher’s Guide are valuable tools for Delaware students as they make their career plans. We would appreciate your overall comments and, in particular, suggestions for additional activities - ways in which you have used the Delaware Career Compass in your classroom. Please share them with us. It would also be very helpful if you complete the evaluation at the end of the Teacher’s Guide and send it to:

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Lesson Plan

Step #1: “Who Am I?” - Self Assessment

Overview
This lesson helps students identify who they are as a person: their learning styles, their work style preference, their personality type, and their interests. Self-assessment is the important first step and the foundation of an overall career path.

State Standards
Language Arts 1-4

Objectives
At the end of this lesson, students will be able to:
1. describe their own learning styles
2. analyze their strengths and weaknesses according to workplace skills
3. determine their likes and dislikes
4. differentiate between personality types and work styles
5. understand their own personality type and how it relates to their career interests
6. determine how their interests fall within the career clusters
7. summarize and articulate what they have learned about themselves

Teacher Instructions
Teachers can use the Delaware Career Compass Step #1 readings and activities, as well as extension questions and supplemental activities provided on student handouts to allow students to assess their learning styles, work styles, personalities, and career interests.

Answer Key:

Activity 3.2
1. This activity will help identify an individual’s likes and dislikes or in other words, their interests. It will give ideas on what work will best suit an individual.
2. Self-answered.
3. There are three interest areas:
   a. Hands-On Person- involves working with tools and machines, are curious about how things work and like to build, operate, maintain, and repair equipment.
   b. People Person- enjoys being with others and exercising people skills such as caring, helping, advising, persuading, and cooperating.
   c. Information Person- has the ability to find, classify, organize, and explain information in ways that help others understand it.
   b. People: teacher, counselor, social worker, and funeral director.
   c. Information: accountant, banker, realtor, and bookkeeper.
Student Activities

Using the Delaware Career Compass, students will complete the seven activities for “Who Am I?”, including:

Activity 1: What is My Learning Style? (Time required: approximately 25 minutes)
Activity 2: What Skills Do I Need? (Time required: approximately 25 minutes)
Activity 3: What are My Personal Interests? (Time required: approximately 25 minutes)
Activity 4: Work Styles (Time required: approximately 15 minutes)
Activity 5: What is My Personality Type? (Time required: approximately 15 minutes)
Activity 6: What are My Career Interests? (Time required: approximately 25 minutes)
Activity 7: What I Know About Myself (Time required: approximately 20 minutes)
Activity 1:
What Is My Learning Style?

Name:_________________________________
Date:  _________________________________
Period: ________________________________

Activity 1.1

Activity 1.2
Find someone in your class who has a different learning style than you. Discuss the following:

1. How do each of you learn best? What is your learning style?
2. How do you study for tests? Is it the same? Different?
3. Discuss ways that your learning style might influence what you do in your spare time.
4. Discuss reasons why it is important to know your learning style when you choose a career.

Activity 1.3
Write a paragraph that tells what you’ve learned about learning styles. Consider the following questions and statements when you write:

1. Describe your personal learning style.
2. How can being aware of your learning style benefit you? Give an example.
3. Why might it be important for you to know a friend’s learning style?
4. Give an example of how knowing your learning style could benefit you in a work environment.
5. Give an example of how knowing a co-worker’s learning style might benefit you in a work environment.

Activity 1.4
Explore two careers that match your learning style. What are they and do they interest you? Why or why not?

Career 1

Career 2
Activity 2: What Skills Do I Need?

Name: _____________________________  
Date: ______________________________  
Period: ____________________________

Activity 2.1  
Complete “What Skills Do I Need?” on page 5.  
Place a check either in the “can do” blank or the “needs work” blank for each statement.

Activity 2.2  
After completing the above exercise, answer the following questions:

1. Based upon your results, which three skill areas are your areas of strength? Why?

2. Which three areas need more development? Why?

3. What actions can you take in order to improve the three areas in which you need improvement?

4. In your own words, explain what skills employers are looking for. Explain your marketable skills and what steps you can take to make yourself more marketable to possible employers.
Activity 3: What Are My Personal Interests?

Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: __________________________

Activity 3.1

Activity 3.2
Answer the following questions in complete sentences:

1. What did this exercise help you realize?

2. In what area did you find the best match? Do you agree or disagree with the results? Why or why not?

3. What are the main differences between the three areas of interest?

4. Can you infer what type of occupations would correspond with each area of interest? In other words, what type of job might each type of person have?

   Hands-on person: ______________________________________________________________

   People person: _________________________________________________________________

   Information person: ____________________________________________________________
Activity 4: Work Styles

Name: ________________________________
Date: ________________________________
Period: ______________________________

Activity 4.1
Read about the different work styles listed on pages 7 - 9.

Activity 4.2
List the three work styles that you think best describe you.

1. __________________________________________
2. __________________________________________
3. __________________________________________

Activity 4.3
List three occupations from each work style you chose in Activity 4.2 that you would like to learn more about.

1a. ________________________  2a. ________________________
1b. ________________________  2b. ________________________
1c. ________________________  2c. ________________________
3a. ________________________  3b. ________________________
3c. ________________________

Activity 4.4
Which of the nine occupations above would you like to research first? Write a short paragraph explaining why you chose that occupation.

Supplemental Activity
Research all nine of the occupations you listed in Activity 4.3  OR
Research these careers and give a three-sentence description of each.

- Conservator
- Astronomer
- Telemarketer
- Actuary
- Optometrist
- Construction Millwright
- Prosthetist
- Occupational Therapist
Activity 5:
What Is My Personality Type?

Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: __________________________

Activity 5.1
In order to determine your Holland Personality Code, read pages 10 and 11, and review the six personality types (realistic, investigative, artistic, social, enterprising, and conventional). Determine which three types are most like you and put them in order of first, second, and third (first being the most like you, second somewhat like you, and third a little like you, keeping in mind they are still your top three).

Activity 5.2
Construct your “Holland Code” by combining the corresponding letter of your first, second, and third personality type. For example, if you are of the realistic type the most, enterprising a little less, and social even less, but it’s still like you, then your code would be RES. You will use this personality code in choosing occupations to match your career interests.

Your Holland Code

Supplemental Activity
Pick one of the following people and determine his or her personality based on Dr. John Holland’s theory. Explain why you think he or she fits this personality type based on their individual characteristics.

• Bill Gates – founder of Microsoft
• Steven King – author
• Oprah Winfrey – T.V. personality
• George W. Bush – President of the United States
• Aretha Franklin – singer
• Mia Hamm – soccer player
Activity 6: What Are My Career Interests?

**Activity 6.1**
Complete the “What Are My Career Interests?” exercise on pages 12 and 13.

**Activity 6.2**
Write the Titles of the three occupational clusters that scored the highest.
(Find these Titles in the Delaware Career Matrix on pages 21-36.)

1. ________________________________________________
2. ________________________________________________
3. ________________________________________________

**Activity 6.3**
Name one occupation in each of the three vocational clusters you have identified in Activity 6.2 that you would like to learn more about. (Use the Delaware Career Matrix.)

1. ________________________________________________
2. ________________________________________________
3. ________________________________________________

**Supplemental Activity**
Research the three occupations you have chosen in Activity 6.3.
Activity 7:
What I Know About Myself

Activity 7.1
Complete “What I Know About Myself” on page 14.

Activity 7.2
Get into groups of two or three. Share with each other what you know about yourself from the exercises in Step #1. Compare and contrast your results.

Supplemental Activity
Now that you have completed Step #1, write a paragraph that summarizes what you have learned about yourself and how that knowledge will help you make a good career choice.
Lesson Plan

Step #2: “What’s Out There?”- Exploring the World of Work

Overview
This section looks at Delaware’s labor market and some of the occupations that offer the best wages and long term job opportunities. When finished with Step #2, students will have a wealth of occupational and labor market information upon which to base their career decision.

State Standards
Language Arts 1-4, Economics 1, Mathematics 3

Objectives
At the end of this lesson, students will be able to:
1. provide an overview of Delaware’s labor market
2. identify three job descriptions, number of job openings, and annual wage rates
3. read charts and interpret labor market information
4. identify the importance of education and the related economic benefits

Teacher Instructions
1. Students should read and understand pages 15 through 20.

2. To ensure understanding of the Career Matrix on pages 21-36, you may need to guide students through each element of information in the matrix for a particular job.

3. Using the work sheets for Activity 8 (Labor Market Information), the students should research characteristics of three different occupations. When they have finished with their research, the students should respond to the questions; the final question might serve as a one-paragraph assignment for homework or in-class writing.

4. In Activity 10, students use a sample to develop their own budget starting with the gross monthly pay for an occupation they select from the matrix.
   a. Note that wages are given as annual wages, which students will have to convert to monthly figures.

   b. Next, students can apply the percentages in the sample budget for each expenditure category.

   c. Then, using the chart for different locations, you can generate discussions about how they will have to budget their money.

   d. Students may use this activity with any hourly income they are currently earning. Discuss how to use the necessary conversions. Once the students have calculated the Gross Monthly Pay, they enter it on page 37 in the top blank of the table and create their budget.
Answer Key

Activity 8.2
1. Manufacturing has historically provided above average wages for people without extensive formal education. Even if manufacturing jobs become more available, they will require much higher levels of education.
2. low level of education and training, low wages / cashier
   high level of education and training, high wages / doctor
3. automotive service technicians, respiratory therapy technicians, aircraft mechanics, drafters, electricians, plumbers, power plant operators
4. b
5. self-answered

Activity 8.3
Self-answered based on career interests, research, and personal knowledge.

Activity 9.1
1. MBNA America - 10,684
2. 2,134 - Retail Chain
3. Health Diagnosis and Treating Practitioners, All Others - $125,606
4. Retail Sales - good if you like it, can live on the salary, want to use it as a stepping stone to management
5. There aren’t lots of Writers and Authors to begin with so any growth will produce a large percentage in increase.

Activity 9.2
1. They provide technical assistance & training to computer system users as well as investigate and resolve computer software and hardware problems.
2. 101
3. 2,772
4. $51,797
5. Bachelor’s degree
6. Detailed tasks, dealing with scientific/technical ideas, understanding words and communicating.
7. The mechanical engineer performs duties in planning and designing with tools, engines and machines. Where a civil engineer duties are related to construction and maintenance of building structures and facilities.
8. 14/11
9. 504/584
10. $76,409/$55,145
11. Frustrating circumstances
12. self-answered based on the characteristics on pages 10 and 11
13. Counsel & aid individuals and families with problems following the recovery from physical or mental illness.
14. 34
15. $34,019
16. Master’s Degree
17. Answers based on the characteristics on pages 10 and 11
18. Leading & influencing people, helping and/or caring for people, understanding words and communicating.
19. Laborer’s & Freight, Stock & Material Movers, Hand/Truck Drivers Heavy & Tractor Trailer
20. Automotive Service Technicians
21. Occupations requiring physical activity, working with machines and equipment, detailed tasks.
22. Retail Salesperson
23. Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks
24. 100
25. $22,022
26. Registered Nurses
27. $2.06
28. $890
29. $3,520
30. Los Angeles, CA
31. It will cost you more to see a movie and drink a coke in Phoenix but generally, Wilmington has a higher cost of living.

**Discussion Question:** The data are taken from the first quarter of 2004.

Now that you have an idea of the type of career that would suit your personality and skills, you need to consider the job market, job security, the training/education required, and the salary expected using the Delaware Career Matrix located on pages 21-36. Pick three occupations that interest you. Make sure that you consider your results from the prior exercises, especially the “Holland Code”, when making your choices.

**Student Activities**

**Activity 8: Labor Market Information**
(Time required: approximately 60 minutes)
Delaware’s Labor Market is on page 16. Have students read the introductory paragraph, and use it as a motivator to learn more using the Delaware Career Matrix in Activity 9.

**Activity 9: Delaware Career Matrix Scavenger Hunt**
(Time required: approximately 45 minutes)

**Activity 10: Your Monthly Budget**
(Time required: approximately 45 minutes)
Activity 8:
Labor Market Information

Name:______________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: ____________________________

Activity 8.1
Read about Labor Market Information (LMI) and Delaware’s Labor Market on pages 16 through 20 and be prepared to discuss.

Activity 8.2
Answer the following questions:

1. Why is it important to know that Manufacturing is declining?

2. What two broad categories can service jobs be broken into? Name an occupation that fits into each category.
   
   Service Category 1 Description ______________________________________
   sample occupation ______________________________________
   Service Category 2 Description ______________________________________
   sample occupation ______________________________________

3. Name 3 occupations that pay good wages and do not require a college education but do require varying degrees of vocational or technical training.
   
   1. ______________________________________
   2. ______________________________________
   3. ______________________________________

4. Probably the best way to ease concerns about choosing your career and putting yourself in charge of your future is:
   
   a. to just jump into something and see how it goes
   b. to study the labor market, do your research, learn about yourself, and plan
   c. worry about it when you have to get a job
   d. follow in your parents’ footsteps

5. Based on page 17, write your own analysis of the relationship between education and wages.
Activity 8.3

Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: ____________________________

Occupation #1

1. What is the job title and description for the first career that you chose?

2. How many openings are there for this job in Delaware each year?

3. How many people are employed in this job?

4. What is the average annual wage?

5. What training/education is needed for this position?

6. What are three of the characteristics for this job?

Occupation #2

7. What is the job title and description for the second career that you chose?

8. What are the annual openings for this job in Delaware each year?

9. What is the training code for this occupation and what must you do in order to obtain the training necessary?

10. What does the “Holland Code” indicate about the type of personality necessary for this job?
Occupation #3

11. What is the job title and description for the third career that you chose?

12. What are the annual openings for this job in Delaware?

13. What “worker skills” are necessary for this career?

14. Which of these “worker skills” do you feel are your strongest skills? Explain.

15. What does the Holland Code indicate about the personality necessary for this job?

Summary
Which one of the three jobs you studied best matches your interests? Why?
Activity 9:
Delaware Data & Career Matrix
Scavenger Hunt

Name:______________________________
Date: ______________________________
Period: ____________________________

Activity 9.1
Using pages 18, 19, and 20, answer the following questions:

1. Which Delaware company has the most employees? How many employees does it have?

2. How many employees does Happy Harry's have? What kind of business is it?

3. If you want to make a very high average annual wage, what would be a good choice? What is the average annual wage for the occupation you chose?

4. If you want to enter the profession that has the most total annual openings, what field should you go into? Discuss the reasons why this might or might not be a good choice.

5. Writers and Authors are listed as one of Delaware's fastest-growing occupations but not as one of the occupations with the most annual openings. How can that be? Explain.

Activity 9.2
Using page 31, answer the following questions:

1. What do computer support specialists do?

2. How many openings are there for these jobs in Delaware each year?

3. How many people are employed in these jobs?

4. What is the average annual wage?

5. What training is needed for these positions?

6. List three job characteristics for these jobs.
Using page 35, answer the following questions:

7. What are the differences between a mechanical engineer and a civil engineer?

8. What are the annual openings for these occupations in Delaware?

9. How many people are employed in these jobs in Delaware?

10. How much do they make per year in these jobs?

11. What is job characteristic 21?

12. Do the Holland Codes RIS or RIC indicate a well-matched personality for these positions? Why or why not?

Using page 30, answer the following questions:

13. What does a mental health & substance abuse social worker do?

14. How many annual openings are there in Delaware?

15. How much do they get paid per year?

16. What training is needed for this job?

17. What does the Holland Code SEC indicate?

18. Explain three job characteristics for this position.

Using page 36, answer the following questions:

19. Which of the eight jobs in Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics has the most openings for the year?

20. Which of the jobs pays the most per hour?

21. What are three job characteristics for the heavy truck drivers?
Looking at the table on page 19, answer the following questions:

22. Which job had the most workers in 2002?

23. Which job is expected to have a projected employment of 7,037 in 2012?

24. What is the number of annual openings for carpenters?

25. What is the average annual wage for security guards?

26. Which job has the highest entry wage?

Look at page 38 and answer the questions below:

27. What is the average price for a half gallon of milk in Wilmington?

28. What is the average monthly rent for an apartment in Wilmington?

29. How much is the average monthly rent for an apartment in Manhattan, NY?

30. Which city on the West Coast would you say has the highest cost of living? Why?

31. Generally, how does the cost of living compare between Wilmington and Phoenix, AZ?

Discussion Question:

Explain why the cost of gasoline on this chart does not reflect the current cost of gasoline.
Supplemental Activity 9.3

Below is an overview of the career cluster, Hospitality and Tourism, and an overview of an occupation from that career cluster. Use this as a guide to make up a Fact Sheet for an occupation that interests you. All this information is on the Internet - some is in the Career Matrix. Go find it!

Fact Sheet

Career Cluster 9: HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM

The tourism industry creates jobs, business opportunities, and tax dollars. Tourism is a service based industry comprising a number of tangible and intangible components. The tangible elements include transport, foods and beverages, tours, souvenirs and accommodations, while the intangible elements involve education, culture, adventure or simply escape and relaxation.

HOTEL MANAGERS: Hospitality and Tourism

Job Description
Hotel managers help their guests have a pleasant stay at their establishment by providing many of the comforts of home; specialized services (such as health spas) and business facilities (such as conference rooms) may be available, as well. Depending on the size of the establishment and the services offered, duties can vary extensively - from overseeing all aspects of operations to being accountable for specific areas of the business. Hotel managers are responsible for keeping their organization efficient and profitable.

Necessary Education
Even though some employees may advance to hotel management positions without education beyond high school, postsecondary education is still preferred and recommended.

Helpful High School Courses
Mathematics, Accounting, English, Computer Applications, Business

Working Conditions

• Typically work more than 40 hours per week
• Night and weekend work is common
• Relocation may be necessary for advancement in large hotel and motel chains

Salary Range

• 2003, Delaware's average annual salary, $41,650
• 2003, Delaware's average hourly wage, $20.03

Career Ladder Information

• Job opportunities are expected to be best for persons with college degrees in hotel or restaurant management
• Career advancement can be accelerated by the completion of certification programs offered by various associations
• Internships, part-time, or summer work are an asset to students seeking a career in hotel management
• Salaries of lodging managers vary greatly according to their responsibilities and the segment of the hotel industry in which they are employed, as well as the location and region where the establishment is located

Personal Qualities and Interests

• You are an effective communicator and able to get along with many different people, even in stressful situations
• You have good problem solving skills
• You have initiative, self-discipline, and are able to concentrate
• You are able to organize and direct the work of others

Did you know?

• Self-employed managers, owners of small hotels and motels, held about 50% of the lodging manager positions in 2002
• Increasing business travel and domestic and foreign tourism will drive employment growth of lodging manager jobs

Additional Information

• Educational Institute of the American Hotel and Lodging Association [http://www.ei-ahla.org](http://www.ei-ahla.org)
• The International Council on Hotel, Restaurant, and Institutional Education [http://www.chrie.org](http://www.chrie.org)
Activity 10:  
Your Monthly Budget

Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: __________________________

Activity 10.1

Read and review “Your Money” on page 37 and complete the budget activity.

1. Monthly Pay Computation:
   Occupation selection: ____________________ Annual wage: ______________
   Convert to monthly wage:

   Put your answer in the “Yours” column, next to Gross Monthly Pay.

2. Now calculate your taxes. Multiply the Gross Monthly Pay by the indicated percentages for each category of your taxes.

3. Add: Federal + State + Social Security + Health Insurance + Pension = Total Taxes


5. Now determine your expenses. After multiplying the expense percentages by the Net Take-Home Pay, add the expense categories to find the Total Expenses.

6. Compare Total Expenses to Monthly Take Home Pay and explain your findings.
Activity 10.2

Now, look at the chart “Your Dollars Across America.” on page 38.
Pick a location where you might like to live. Add the expenses for an apartment, phone, and total energy - this will give you a pretty good idea of your housing costs for that location. Compare that cost for housing to the amount you have budgeted for housing based on your Gross Monthly Pay. Explain how you might deal with any differences that you find.

City: ___________________________ State: ________________

Amount you have to spend in your budget (from Activity 10.1)

Your Budget Amount: Costs for the city you’ve chosen:
Apt./mo. $______________ Apt./mo. $______________
Total Energy/mo. $______________ Total Energy/mo. $______________
Lesson Plan
Step #3: “How Do I Decide?” - Decision Process

Overview
This lesson will match self-assessment results with the occupations of interest and discuss job characteristics. Students will match chosen occupations to job characteristics. Then they will be asked to set some specific goals.

State Standards
Language Arts 1-4

Objectives
At the end of this lesson, students will be able to:
1. summarize findings from self-assessment activities
2. correlate self-assessment profile to job profile
3. distinguish between compatible and incompatible jobs
4. extend data and predict long-term goals

Teacher Instructions
Teachers can use Step #3 activities and extension questions to allow students to decide which occupations truly fit their personalities, capabilities, and goals.

Answer Key:
Activity 11.1
1. Most likely to change jobs 10-12 times in your life.
2. Self-answered.
3. Having skills is not enough to be successful. Employees must have motivation and the will to reach their career goal.

Student Activities
Activity 11: How Do I Decide? (Time required: approximately 25 minutes)
Activity 11: How Do I Decide?

Name: ____________________________

Date: ____________________________

Period: ___________________________

Activity 11.1

Read page 39 and respond to the following questions:

1. How many times are you likely to change jobs in your life?

2. How would you describe your motivation level and willingness to learn?


Activity 11.2

Complete the “How Do I Match Up?” worksheet on page 40, comparing your self-profile (review page 14, “What I Know About Myself”) with your preferred job descriptions. Do the two match? If so, how? If not, why not?

Activity 11.3

List three occupations that you would not choose based on your findings.

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_________________________________________________

_________________________________________________

Explain why these occupations would not be a good match for you.
Activity 11.4

Based on what you have learned about yourself and occupations, list three occupations about which you would like more information.

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Activity 11.5

Set your 1-Year, 5-Year, 10-Year, and Lifetime Goals.

Fill out a Goal sheet (see page 42) for each time period. **Be specific.**

List actual job and salary desired at each stage, whether or not you will own your own home, and where you will be living. Also, list any particular hobbies you want to participate in or travel you would like to take during these time periods. Have you thought about fitting community service into your life?
Lesson Plan

Step #4: “How Do I Do It?” - Taking Action
Section A: Educational Opportunities
Section B: Postsecondary Opportunities
Section C: Job Search

Step #4 - SECTION A: Educational Opportunities

Overview
This section stresses how education impacts job opportunities, wages, and job security. The availability of career and technical education programs, such as Tech Prep, currently offer students opportunities to develop leadership and other skills.

State Standards
Language Arts 1-4, Economics 1, Mathematics 3

Objectives
At the end of this lesson, students will be able to:
1. identify the importance of education and the related economic benefits
2. define and understand Apprenticeships, Career Pathways, Tech Prep, Career and Technical Education programs, including student organizations, and the benefits of participation in these programs
3. recognize positive personal skills in high school and how they relate to successful employee traits

Teacher Instructions
Within Step 4, there are three sub-sections (A-C). Teachers can use Section A readings and activities to provide information on the levels and the importance of education and how education relates to lifestyle choices.

Discussion points include:

♦ The importance of education
♦ The influence of education on lifestyle choices
♦ How vocational programs in high school can help develop good work habits
Answer Key:

Activity 12.1
Electrician
Library Technician
Elementary School Teacher
Librarian
Lawyer

High School/Long-term on-the-job training
High School & Associate Degree (2 years)
High School, Bachelor’s Degree (4 years)
High School & Bachelor’s Degree & Master’s Degree (4 - 6 years)
High School, Bachelor’s, and First Professional Degree (7 years)

Activity 12.2: Employment Quiz
1. F  6. T
2. F  7. F
3. F  8. C
4. T  9. D
5. T  10. B

Activity 13.1:
1. Teacher needs to provide answers for individual school
2. Self-answered
3. TECH PREP is a program for students to receive free college credit by combining technical training and academics while in high school.
4. By combining high school and college credits
5. Teacher provided
6. Teacher provided

Activity 14.1
1. Knowing how to learn, problem-solving, reasoning, self-management, and responsibility
2. Decision-making, self-management, responsibility, cooperation, and problem-solving
3. Very similar traits

Student Activities

Activity 12: Why is Education Important to Me?
(Time required: approximately 50 minutes)

Activity 13: Career and Technical Education Organizations
(Time required: approximately 25 minutes)

Activity 14: Build Your Work Foundation in School
(Time required: approximately 45 minutes)
Activity 12: Why is Education Important to Me?

Levels of Education

The chart below shows possible educational paths and approximate time frames. These are examples of how to advance your education. If you work while going to school, it may take longer to achieve your educational goals, but you will achieve them nonetheless. Some occupations require higher education than others.
Activity 12.1

Using the Delaware Career Matrix on pages 21-36, list a possible educational path for the following occupations. How many years of education after high school would this path take?

Example: Systems Analyst High School -- Associate Degree -- Bachelor's Degree = 4-6 yrs.

1. Electrician
2. Library Technician
3. Elementary School Teacher
4. Librarian
5. Lawyer

Activity 12.2

Directions: Circle the correct answer to the following questions to determine how much you know about the job market.

T F 1. Most people find their jobs in the classifieds.
T F 2. There is only one right job for you and your abilities.
T F 3. The best way to get a job is to wait until the right opportunity comes along.
T F 4. Generally speaking, the more education you have, the more likely you are to find a job.
T F 5. Generally speaking, the more education you have, the more money you will make.
T F 6. Change is inevitable so learn to be flexible. Learning is ongoing.
T F 7. Except for the income you get, your job has little influence on your way of life.
8. Which of the following probably describes the job opportunities in ten years?
   a. Most jobs will require four or more years of college.
   b. There will be a greater number of jobs for unskilled workers.
   c. There will be a greater number of jobs for those with technical skills required beyond high school.
9. Select the best way to begin planning your career?
   a. Decide what you think is most important.
   b. Look at what is available in the job market.
   c. Take tests to find out what you should do.
   d. All of the above.
10. If you cannot make up your mind about what occupation to go into, first you should:
    a. Try out as many jobs as you can.
    b. Find out more about what different occupations are like.
    c. Try one and if you like it, stick with it.
    d. Find out if they have any jobs in Delaware.

7-10 answers right: WOW! You've been doing some reading, but visit with your counselor.
4-6 answers right: OKAY. You're on your way, but visit with your counselor.
0-3 answers right: PROCEED directly to the Guidance Counselor's office.
(Do not pass go, do not collect $200)
Activity 13: Career & Technical Education Organizations, Career Pathways, and Tech Prep

Activity 13.1

Read pages 44-49. Answer the following questions in complete sentences:

1. Of the five Career Pathway areas, which two are of the most interest to you?

2. List the Career and Technical organizations available in your high school.

3. What is Tech Prep Delaware?

4. Can Tech Prep save money and give students a head start? How?

5. Who do you contact in your school about Tech Prep?

6. List two Tech Prep courses that are offered in your school or the high school you will attend.
Activity 14:
Build Your Work Foundation In School

Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: __________________________

Activity 14.1

Look at “Build Your Work Foundation in School” on the inside back cover of the Compass.
Answer the following questions:

1. What are five positive personality traits of a successful student?

2. What are five positive personality traits of a successful employee?

3. Compare #1 and #2. Are they the same traits?

4. Discuss your findings with your classmates.

Activity 14.2

We all have skills. Sometimes they are hard to find and sometimes they need to be developed. Skills are learned talents or capacities. Acquired or learned skills are used to complete a task in the workplace or other places. Often, we take our skills for granted. The following exercise will assist you in discovering your skills.

1. Think about all the things you do each day: reading, writing, math, speaking, listening, sports, clubs, hobbies, chores, and part-time work. What skills did you use? Could they be transferred to the workplace?

2. Have you recently written an essay, a letter to a friend or relative, or given a presentation in a classroom? Written and oral presentations require the skill of conveying information clearly. Is this skill used in the workplace? By whom?

3. Have you used a computer lately? To do what? What computer skills and knowledge have you acquired? Who uses computer skills at work?
4. How do you manage your time? Classwork, homework, projects, and reports all require time management skills. Is this something you need to improve? How important is time management in the workplace?

5. State a problem you have had to conquer at work or school.

a. What action did you take?

b. What was the result?

c. Skills take problems and turn them into results. What skills did you use in solving the problem?

Activity 14.3
Review the worksheet “Related School Subjects”. Pick your top three subjects and write a short paragraph about why you chose these. Do you see yourself in the related careers? Why or why not?
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Lesson Plan
Step 4/SECTION B: Postsecondary Opportunities

Overview
In pursuing a career, students will need to think about the kind of education/training that is required for each occupation. Section B will provide students with information regarding colleges and universities. It will also explore how the Armed Forces can assist students to pay for college, as well as offer many other benefits and skills that will be useful in daily life.

State Standards
Language Arts 1-, Business Education 3

Objectives
At the end of this lesson, students will be able to:
1. demonstrate knowledge of college planning steps at each grade level
2. understand available financial aid resources
3. identify the educational, training, and financial aid opportunities provided by the Armed Services

Teacher Instructions
Teachers can use the activities and readings in Section B to discuss college planning, financial resources, and military service.

Answer Key:
Supplemental Activity 15.d.
1. Delaware Technical & Community College:
   Stanton Campus     Wilmington Campus
   Newark             Wilmington
   Terry Campus       Owens Campus
   Dover              Georgetown

2. Closer to home and less expensive
3. Self-answered based on interests and research of community college sites

Activity 16.1
1. The money for financial aid comes from federal and state governments, banks, the schools themselves, and private donors.
2. You must apply for financial aid.
3. The amount and kind of aid you receive is based on your financial need, your academic record, and on the kinds of available aid at the school you attend.
4. A grant does not require repayment.
   A loan requires repayment, usually after you leave school, and has a lower interest rate than other bank loans.
Activity 17.1 Military Word Scramble

1. Navy 6. Money
3. National Guard 8. Goals
5. College Fund 10. Training

Activity 17.3 ASVAB

Arithmetic Reasoning 1. The answer is (A) because the rate at which they are moving away from each other is (4 + 6) miles per hour, or 10 miles per hour. In two hours this distance would be 20 miles. Choice (B) is the distance between the runners after one hour, choice (C) is the distance that John runs in two hours, and choice (D) is the distance that Bill runs in two hours. 2. The answer is (A) because 300 hits out of 1,000 at bats would result in a .300 batting average. The other choices would result in either a higher or a lower batting average. 3. The answer is (D) because one first down is \((10 \text{ yards}) \times \left(\frac{3 \text{ feet}}{1 \text{ yard}}\right) \times \left(\frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}}\right) = (10 \times 3 \times 12) \text{ inches} = 360 \text{ inches.}

Word Knowledge 4. Entreated means begged. (B) tempted is a synonym for entice; (C) Asked doesn’t convey the sense of desperation meant by the word entreat; and (D) Attend is a synonym for one meaning of the verb ‘treat’. 5. A defect is a flaw. The other choices (A) stain, (B) vice, and (C) weakness can indicate a defect, but flaw is the most precise choice. 6. To malinger is to fake that you’re sick in order to avoid work in other words, to shirk (avoid) your responsibilities. (A) Discipline means to teach or punish; (B) defame is synonymous with malign; (D) grow is not related.

Paragraph Comprehension 7. A. fewer married couples will be able to purchase a home and have children. The writer shows that having both a home and children don’t work together. Consequently, the reader can assume that fewer couples will both purchase homes and have children. The writer doesn’t say anything definite about having fewer children or any of the other choices.

Mathematics Knowledge 8. The answer is (A) because one third of the female population is eight. Thus, there are \(3 \times 8 = 24\) women, so 24 is 60% of the employees. Dividing by 60%, \(24/.60 = 40\), so there are 40 employees. 9. The answer is (D) because the area is 6x, where x is the length of the other side. Then \(6 \times x = 24\), so \(x = 4\). 10. The answer is (A) because the area is \(x^2\) and the perimeter is 4x. Then \(4x = x^2\), or \(x = 0\) or 4. But \(x\) cannot be 0 (because then there would be no square), so \(x = 4\). 11. The answer is (A) because the triangle must be equilateral, so all angles are equal.

Student Activities

Using the Career Compass, students will complete the following activities for Section B:

Activity 15: Postsecondary Opportunities (Time required: approximately 20 minutes)
Supplemental activities (Time required: approximately 90 minutes)
   Activity 15.a: Choosing a College
   Activity 15.b: What to Look for in a College Catalog
   Activity 15.c: What to Look for When Visiting a School Campus
   Activity 15.d: Community/Technical Colleges and Your Career Path

Activity 16: Financial Aid (Time required: approximately 30 minutes)

Activity 17: Is the Military for You? (Time required: approximately 30-60 minutes)
Supplemental activity 17.3 (Time required: approximately 30 minutes)
Activity 15
Postsecondary Opportunities

Name: ________________________________
Date: ________________________________
Period: ________________________________

Activity 15.1
Read “Your College Countdown” on page 50 and discuss.

Activity 15.2
Circle the best answer for you.

1. If I were out of high school right now, I would go to:
   a. A large, 4-year, in-state institution: University of Delaware
   b. Other 4-year, state university: Delaware State University
   c. Private college: Wesley College, Goldey Beacom, Widener University, Wilmington College
   d. A 2-year, in-state institution: Delaware Technical and Community College

2. With financial aid a possibility, I would go on to a school:
   a. that is as inexpensive as possible.
   b. that is an average cost school.
   c. regardless of the cost.

3. Choose one:
   a. I want a school that is well known throughout the U.S.
   b. I want a school that is prestigious, but not necessarily well known.
   c. The school I go to should be familiar to people in Delaware.
   d. It is not important to me whether the school is well known.

4. Choose one:
   a. I would like a campus where there is an enclosed, close community.
   b. I would like a campus where I know some kids, but one where everybody doesn’t know everybody else.
   c. I’m OK with a campus atmosphere where I can be anonymous or where I can become involved with other students of like interests.

5. The size of a school for me should be:
   a. the bigger the better.
   b. medium size.
   c. small.

6. Choose one:
   a. I wouldn't mind a very large class where I may have to assert myself to get help.
   b. I would like all my classes to be fairly small.

7. Choose one:
   a. Studying and learning is thrilling, and I would like a school where I do a lot of it.
   b. I don't want to have to study too intensely at school.
   c. I would like to learn by doing something. For the studying I do, I need to see a product or something I created, or know that I am trained for a specific job.
8. Choose one:
   a. I want to spend four years at one school and then decide if I want more at that school.
   b. I want to spend four years at one school, then decide if I want to continue at a different school.
   c. I want to spend two years at one school and then go to a different one.
   d. I want to spend one or two years at a school, and be trained for an immediate career.

9. Choose one:
   a. I don't care if my teachers know who I am.
   b. It is important to me that my teachers know me.

10. Choose one:
    a. I want to live at the college in a dormitory.
    b. It's OK if there are dormitories, but I don't want to live in one.
    c. It's OK with me if dormitories are not available.
    d. Campus housing is not important to me, for I would commute from home, or live with relatives.

11. I feel:
    a. it is important to have a lot of my high school friends go to that school.
    b. I would like to go to a school where I can make all new friends.
    c. it is important to choose the school because a friend is going there.
    d. that it is not important to have a lot of my high school friends go to that school.
Supplemental Activity 15.a:
Choosing a College

Name: ____________________________________________

Date: ____________________________________________

Period: ____________________________________________

I. Survey the Possibilities

Begin your search with a survey of colleges located in the geographic area of your choice.

Check your local library, school library, or guidance office for the following resources which may help you:

• College Catalogs
• Chronological Guidance
• College Handbook
• Barron’s Profiles of American Colleges
• Patterson’s Schools Classifieds

Other Resources:

• College Guides and Maps
• Occupational Outlook Handbooks
• Financial Aid Forms
• Armed Forces Brochures
• Internet

II. Weigh the Differences

Fill out the information below about colleges that interest you. Then compare.

Location and Setting: distance from home; city, small town, or country setting

Type and size of college: co-ed, men's, women's, liberal arts, technical, junior, church-related, state-supported, enrollment, facilities

Comprehensive cost: tuition, room and board, extra fees, books, travel expenses, spending money, special clothing

Financial aid: honor scholarships, grants-in-aid, loans, alternative/work study programs, campus jobs

Special curricula: engineering, political science, computers, music, education, marine biology, business, etc.

Admissions requirements: required subjects, test scores, grade point average, class rank, special talents

Kind of students who attend: habits, interests, goals, ethnic and religious background

Campus life: cultural events, sports, clubs, fraternities and sororities, recreational facilities, rules and regulations, surroundings
III. Narrow Your Choices

No college (nor type of college) is right for all students, but there are certain colleges that are right for you. Before narrowing your choices, you should answer some basic questions about yourself.

1. What am I able to do?
2. What do I want out of life?
3. What do I need in the way of training?

NARROW your choices to 7-10 colleges and write for catalogs. When you have selected 3-6 colleges and have the results of one college admissions examination, consult your counselor.

LISTEN for announcements regarding visits of college representatives to your school and arrange to talk with a few. Attend the annual postsecondary education opportunities day held at school and talk with admissions personnel representing the colleges you are considering.

EVALUATE the institution as a place where you might eat, sleep, and study for the next two to four years. Tour the facilities and inquire about the extracurricular activities, the personal services, and the school regulations. If the college is in session, visit a class, talk to students, observe campus behavior, and eat a meal in the dining hall. You will know from your experience on the campus whether that college is right for you. No amount of reading or discussing will tell you this.

SAMPLE LETTER TO COLLEGES

(your street address)
(your city/state/zip code)
(the date)

Director of Admissions
(name of college)
(address of college)

Dear Sir or Madam: (try to find the person's name and use it!)

I am a junior (or senior) at _________ High School in
(your town), Delaware, and will be graduating in (month and year).

Please send me an application, a catalog, and other descriptive material that might help me in planning my post-high school education. (mention your career interest if you have one)

I would appreciate receiving information and appropriate forms for scholarships and other types of financial aid. (Use this sentence if you need help with college expenses.)

Sincerely yours,

(Your Signature)
(your name typed)

✓ Checklist for Making College Plans

✓ Think about preliminary criteria and your priorities.
✓ Make a college list that includes “safeties”, “possibilities”, and “reach” schools.
✓ Note colleges where interviews are required.
✓ Map out your itinerary.
✓ Check that the colleges are in session. Find out tour times and make appointments when needed.
✓ Plan how and with whom you’ll go.
✓ Balance college visits and school demands.
✓ Arrange for high school absence and plan to make up missed work.
✓ Pack appropriate clothes for the interview.
✓ Write names and phone numbers of the college administrators you plan to see.
✓ Bring questions and be sure to have a pen and notebook with which to write important information.
✓ Bring high school transcript in case admissions counselor requests one.
Supplemental Activity 15.b:
What to Look for in a College Catalog

Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: __________________________

Name of Institution:

Mailing Address:

Phone numbers for:
   Admissions:
   Financial Aid:
   Housing:

Is there an 800 number?

What programs of study does the institution offer?

What is the student/teacher ratio?

What are the requirements for entrance?
   Number of high school credits:
   Subjects required:
   Electives recommended:
   Is there an entrance test?

When is the deadline for applying for admissions?

Where will I live?

What is the cost for a year?
   Tuition and fees:
   Books:
   Board/Room:
   Transportation:
   Personal Expenses:
   Leisure Time/Recreation:

What is the school calendar, including holidays?

What are some of the student activities and services?

General information and notes:
Supplemental Activity 15.c: What to Look for When Visiting a College Campus

Check page 53 of the Delaware Career Compass for websites and telephone numbers of area schools.

Visiting a school campus may include an interview with the admissions personnel, so be prepared to:

1. Talk about yourself - your interests, your goals, your courses, and grades. Take along your personal copy of your school grades/transcript and activities.
2. Talk about the need for financial help (if needed).
3. Ask questions about the school, courses, rules/regulations. Read the catalog before your visit. Write down your questions in advance and DO TAKE NOTES!
4. Even though you might be nervous, be yourself.

On the campus:

1. Take a tour if possible.
2. Allow enough time to get the “feel of the campus.” Try to imagine yourself as a student there.
3. Schedule your appointments two weeks in advance and BE ON TIME!
4. Pick up all forms you need: application, catalog, map, and financial aid forms.
5. Visit the library. Find out how many computer labs are available on campus. Do you need to bring a computer?
6. Try to visit a class or two.
7. Talk to students: Ask them what they like about the school, and equally important, what they DON’T like.
8. Ask questions about life on the campus – what activities does the college offer?

Soon after, or during your visit:

1. Make notes on your reactions and your feelings about the school.
2. Write thank-you notes when appropriate.

MAKE YOUR COLLEGE VISITS EARLY IN YOUR PLANNING PROCESS.
Supplemental Activity 15.d: Community/Technical Colleges and Your Career Path

1. Look at page 53, which shows where the technical & community colleges are located in Delaware. Which community college is closest to your high school?

_________________________________________________________________________

2. List two reasons why someone would choose to attend a technical & community college.
   a. _______________________________________________________________________
   b. _______________________________________________________________________

3. Choose two Career Clusters in which you are interested and write them below. Now list three occupations that require training beyond high school under each Career Cluster. Research the availability of training for each of these occupations at the technical & community college nearest you. Check “yes” or “no” when you have your results.

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Activity 16:  
Financial Aid

Name:_________________________________
Date:  ________________________________
Period: ________________________________

Activity 16.1
Read page 51. Answer the following questions:

1. Where does the money for financial aid come from?

2. What do you have to do to get financial aid?

3. What determines the amount of financial aid that you can receive?

4. What is the difference between a grant and a loan?

Supplemental Activity

Ask the recruiter from the Army, Air Force, Marines, and Navy about the ROTC scholarships offered by their services.
Activity 17: Is the Military for You?

Name: ____________________________
Date: ____________________________
Period: ____________________________

Activity 17.1
Read page 54. Unscramble the letters to form words.

1. YANV ____________________________
2. IRA RECOF ____________________________
3. TONILARN DAURG ____________________________
4. RYMA ____________________________
5. LELEGOC NUFD ____________________________
6. NEYOM ____________________________
7. ENSTIFBE ____________________________
8. AOLSG ____________________________
9. ILPMAOD ____________________________
10. AINNIGTR ____________________________

Activity 17.2
Invite a military recruiter to speak to your class. Use sample questions provided below to acquire information.

1. What is the length of time I would need to stay in the service?
2. What is the starting salary?
3. What and where is basic training?
4. How long is basic training?
5. What specific jobs do you have available at this time? What type of training will I get for these jobs?
6. How do you determine if I am qualified for a specific job?
7. How can I be assured I will get the job I request?
8. For what civilian jobs will my military training be useful?
9. Can I be married and be in the military?
10. What benefits (education and others) are available to me after I finish my service term?
11. What other options do I have if I decide to stay in the military as a career?
12. If I really cannot adjust, is it possible to leave?

Think of other questions you may have and ask your parents what questions they would like to add.
Supplementary Activity 17.3
Sample ASVAB Questions

Arithmetic Reasoning

1. John can run six miles per hour and Bill can run four miles per hour. If they run in opposite directions for two hours, then how far apart will they be?
   A. 20 miles
   B. 10 miles
   C. 12 miles
   D. 8 miles

2. If a baseball player has 1,000 at bats in a season, and he receives no walks, how many hits would he need to have .300 batting percentage?
   A. 300
   B. 250
   C. 350
   D. 400

3. In football, 10 yards are required for a first down. Knowing that a yard is three feet and a foot is 12 inches, how many inches are required for a first down?
   A. 30
   B. 60
   C. 120
   D. 360

Word Knowledge

4. Theresa entreated Jack to let her go with him.
   A. Begged
   B. Tempted
   C. Asked
   D. Attended

5. The best synonym for defect is
   A. stain.
   B. vice.
   C. weakness.
   D. flaw.

6. The best synonym for malinger is
   A. discipline.
   B. defame.
   C. shirk.
   D. grow.

7. This paragraph implies
   A. fewer married couples will be able to purchase a home and have children.
   B. fewer couples will have children.
   C. fewer couples will purchase a home.
   D. fewer women will have careers.

Paragraph Comprehension

Married couples with no children often work two jobs for five or more years to purchase the American dream, a home of their own. They often find that after purchasing a home they must both continue working to meet their financial obligations. Their desire to have children, their careers, and their buying a home are often not compatible.

Mathematical Knowledge

8. In a small company, 60% of the employees are women. A third of the women smoke. There are eight female smokers. How many employees are there?
   A. 40
   B. 50
   C. 60
   D. 70

9. If the length of one side of a rectangle is six inches, and its area is 24 inches, then what is the length of the shortest side (in inches)?
   A. 1
   B. 2
   C. 3
   D. 4

10. If x is the length of a side of a square and its area and perimeter are equal, what is x?
    A. 4
    B. 8
    C. 9
    D. 16

11. If one angle of an isosceles triangle is 60°, then how many more degrees are in the largest angle than in the smallest?
    A. 0°
    B. 10°
    C. 5°
    D. It cannot be determined from the given information.
Lesson Plan
Step 4/Section C: Job Search

Overview
Finding the right job takes planning and preparation. It requires good organization, management of time and energy, a positive outlook, and good decision making.

State Standards
Language Arts 1-4, Business Education 1

Objectives
At the end of this lesson, students will be able to:
1. access many sources to find job leads
2. apply for a job successfully
3. develop sample resume and cover letter
4. prepare for and learn how to conduct themselves in an interview
5. understand their rights and responsibilities as an employee

Teacher Instructions
Teachers can use Section C to instruct students on employment seeking skills using the readings and activities provided.

Discussion points include:
• How are the labor laws different for employees who are younger than 18 years old?
• What is networking and why is it important?
• What rights does an employee have?
• Importance of resumes, applications, and cover letters.

Answer Key:

Activity 18.1:
1. Any teenager 17 years or younger is required to have a work permit prior to being employed.
2. Teacher-answered for the particular school.
3. The employer, a school official, and the minor (student). A parent must sign if the minor is 15 years or younger.
4. Restricted activities include: operating or cleaning slicing machines, use of circular or band saws, dough mixing machines, and other forming, punching or shearing machines.
5. Minimum wage is $6.15 per hour.

Activity 19.1
1. Employers conduct drug screenings in various ways: by asking applicants about current and past drug use; by giving a written test or polygraph test; or by medical tests of urine, blood, or hair samples. The most commonly used test is a urinalysis or urine test.
2. Employers conduct drug testing for the safety of their employees. Allowing an employee to drive a truck who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol can be a liability. In addition, employees may experience side effects such as memory loss, inability to concentrate, depression, paranoia, and other health-related problems as well as high absenteeism from the job.
4. Yes. Almost all Delaware employers conduct background checks on job applicants.

**Activity 20.1:**
1. People you know, professional contacts, national associations, trade publications, former students, Department of Labor, and the Internet.
2. Do your homework, know about the company, be ready to talk about yourself, prepare questions, participate actively, discuss all relevant work experience.
3. [http://www.vcnet.net](http://www.vcnet.net)  
   [http://www.jobbankusa.com](http://www.jobbankusa.com)  
   [http://www.ajb.org](http://www.ajb.org)  
   [http://hotjobs.com](http://hotjobs.com)  
   Other job sites listed on page 61 of the *Delaware Career Compass*.

**Activity 22.3: Create Your Objectives**
Questions 1 through 4: Self-answered.

**Activity 24.1**
1. Social Security card, copy of resume, copy of personal references, samples of work, portfolio, black pen. Other items listed on page 71 of the *Delaware Career Compass*.
2. Know the company, dress professionally, and practice interview questions.
3. What are the duties of the job you are interviewing for? What products or services does the company provide?
4. Offer a firm handshake, speak clearly and concisely, be positive and polite, and have reasons why the employer should hire you.
5. What do you consider your greatest strengths and weaknesses? What interests you about this job? Why should I hire you?
6. What are the possibilities of advancement in this organization? What are you looking for in the person you hire for the position? When will a decision be made?
7. After an interview, you should send a thank you letter expressing appreciation to the interviewer for taking the time to see you.
Activity 25.2:
1. Be dependable, provide good work, have a positive attitude, be helpful, be a team player, dress appropriately, don’t waste time or resources, control your emotions, be a diplomat, and treat everyone with respect.
2. Self-answered.
4. Self-answered.

Student Activities
Using the *Career Compass*, students will complete activities in Section C including:
- **Activity 18: Am I Eligible for Work?** (Time required: approximately 30 minutes)
- **Activity 19: What About Drugs and Alcohol?** (Time required: approximately 20 minutes)
- **Activity 20: How Do I Find A Job?** (Time required: approximately 45-60 minutes)
- **Activity 21: How Do I Fill Out A Job Application:** (Time required: approximately 20 minutes)
- **Activity 22: Resumes** (Time required: approximately 60-90 minutes)
- **Activity 23: Cover Letters** (Time required: approximately 60 minutes)
- **Activity 24: Job Interviews** (Time required: approximately 45-75 minutes)
- **Activity 25: Keeping Your Job** (Time required: approximately 35 minutes)
Activity 18:
Am I Eligible to Work?

Activity 18.1
Read page 55 of the Compass. Answer the following questions.

1. Who is required to obtain or have a work permit before being employed?

2. Where and from whom in your school would you obtain a work permit?

3. Who must sign your work permit?

4. What type of work is not allowed for teenagers under the age of 18?

5. What is the minimum hourly wage a person can be paid in Delaware?

6. Where can a person get more information and help with problems dealing with pay, working papers, meal breaks, or employment discrimination?

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Legal Hours of Employment

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*If the employer is covered by federal law, minor is limited to three hours on school days

| Age 16 - 17 | Minors 16 and 17 years of age may not spend more than 12 hours in a combination of school hours and work hours per day. They must have at least 8 consecutive hours of non-work, non-school time in each 24 hour period |

Contact the Delaware Department of Labor for a list of prohibited occupations
Activity 18.2
Complete a sample work permit.

Name: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________
Period: __________________________

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING
CHILD LABOR WORK PERMIT

STEP 1
MINOR:
1. COMPLETE THE SECTION MARKED “MINOR”. IF YOU ARE 14 OR 15 YEARS OF AGE, YOUR PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST SIGN THE PERMIT.
2. TAKE THE CERTIFICATE TO YOUR PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYER AND ASK THEM TO COMPLETE THE SECTION MARKED “EMPLOYER”.
3. IN PERSON RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO AN ISSUING OFFICER AT YOUR SCHOOL OR AT YOUR LOCAL DEPARTMENT OF LABOR OFFICE. YOU MUST PROVIDE THE ISSUING OFFICER WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PROOFS OF AGE: BIRTH CERTIFICATE; BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE; PASSPORT; SCHOOL RECORD; VALID DRIVER’S LICENSE.
4. YOU MUST GET A NEW PERMIT WHEN YOU CHANGE EMPLOYERS.

STEP 2
EMPLOYER:
1. COMPLETE ALL “EMPLOYER INFORMATION” INCLUDING DELAWARE ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER. RETURN TO THE CHILD, (S)HE WILL TAKE THE APPLICATION TO AN ISSUING OFFICER AND RETURN IT TO YOU AFTER THE WORK PERMIT HAS BEEN CERTIFIED.
2. DO NOT ACCEPT WORK PERMIT UNLESS IT IS DATED AND SIGNED BY AN ISSUING OFFICER.
3. KEEP EMPLOYER COPY ON FILE - IT IS REQUIRED BY LAW.

STEP 3
ISSUING OFFICER:
1. FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT AND SIGNED BY MINOR AND PARENT OR GUARDIAN (IF THE CHILD IS AGED 14 OR 15) AND THE EMPLOYER.
2. EMPLOYER MUST HAVE COMPLETED “COMPANY NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER” PORTIONS OF THE PERMIT.
3. YOU MUST VERIFY MINOR’S AGE.
4. GIVE MINOR “EMPLOYER COPY” TO RETURN TO THE EMPLOYER.
5. MAIL DUPLICATE TO:
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
OFFICE OF LABOR LAW ENFORCEMENT
P.O. BOX 8902
WILMINGTON, DE 19899-8902
Activity 19:
What About Drugs and Alcohol?

Name: ______________________________
Date: ______________________________
Period: ____________________________

Activity 19.1
Read page 58. Answer the following questions:

1. What are the different ways employers will conduct drug screening?

2. Why do you think employers do drug testing?

3. Do you agree with employers conducting drug screening prior to hiring individuals? Explain why you agree or disagree with drug screening.

4. Do Delaware employers do background checks as well as drug screening?
Activity 20:
How Do I Find a Job?

Name: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________
Period: ___________________________

Activity 20.1
Read ‘How Do I Find a Job?’ and “What’s on the Web” on pages 59-61. Answer the following questions:

1. List five sources for job leads.

2. How should you prepare for a job interview?

3. List three websites where you could find job leads.

Activity 20.2
If you have access to the Internet, visit several websites listed on page 61.
Activity 21:
How Do I Fill Out a Job Application?

Name:_________________________________
Date:  _________________________________
Period: ________________________________

Activity 21.1

• Read the bottom of page 68.

• Complete the sample application on page 70.

• Exchange your application with another student and peer edit his/her application.

• Correct any errors on your application when it is returned to you.
Activity 22: Resumes

Name: _________________________________
Date: _________________________________
Period: ________________________________

Activity 22.1
Build a Personal Resume File
Read pages 63 through 65 regarding resumes. Using the Personal Fact Checklist on page 64 as your guide, gather all the information needed to create your resume. (Hold off on the Objective Statement. You'll tackle that in Activity 22.3) Choose a safe place to store this information - a personal resume file - so that you will not have to gather it again! Continue to add to your file and make the necessary changes as your experience grows and your life progresses.

Note: Don't worry about formatting your resume now. Concentrate only on creating lists of information including: names, addresses, dates, volunteer activities, skills, personal/special skills, etc. These are the building blocks of your resume.

Activity 22.2
Practice Writing Action Statements
Whenever possible, compose your list of skills and experiences using strong action verbs that emphasize results and performance. This in itself is a skill that you can learn! It just takes thought and practice. Here's an example (action verbs in bold):

*managed the annual Key Club carwash that resulted in an increase in club participation and generated 26% more in proceeds for charity over the prior year

Review Activity 14.2 for a list of skills you've already identified. Now use those skills and any you identified in Activity 22.1 to practice writing your personal action statements. The Resume Action Verbs list on page 65 will help you get started. When you are happy with your statements, add them to your personal resume file for safekeeping.

Activity 22.3
Create Your Objective
Review the objectives on the sample resumes on pages 66 and 67. Imagine you are developing a resume designed to target a specific job for which you are qualified. It could be a retail clerk, a lifeguard, a singer, a mechanic, or any other occupation for which you have skills and have a true interest. Organize your thoughts by answering the following four questions. Example answers are provided to help you with the process. Then, using your answers, create an eye-catching objective. Save it in your personal resume file!

Note: This information will also be useful when writing your cover letter.
Questions:

1. What job interests you?  
   Example: Lifeguard  
   Swim Instructor

2. What kind of environment do you want to work in?  
   neighborhood pool

3. What is your availability?  
   summer, full-time  
   days, nights and  
   weekends

4. What skills will you bring to this specific job?  
   CPR, First Aid, WSI,  
   3 summers experience,  
   good communication skills,  
   team player,  
   professional

Note: Use the list of skills and action statements from your personal resume file to choose the ones that would be most appropriate for the specific job you're imagining.

Now write your objective and add it to your personal resume file.

Example: A full-time summer position as a lifeguard and swim instructor for a neighborhood pool where I can be part of a team to help people safely enjoy the water.

Activity 22.4

Choose a Format and Build Your Resume

Reread Section 2 on page 64 - Choose a Format - and examine the two resumes on pages 66 and 67. Choose a format for your resume that will best show off your skills. Now build a rough draft of your resume.

Note: You have all the tools you need in you personal resume file. Use it!

Activity 22.5

Prepare a Reference Sheet

Prepare a Reference Sheet to take with you to the interview. This will include your name, address, and contact information, as well as three to five people who know your abilities and will speak highly of you. Make sure that they have agreed to speak on your behalf before providing an employer with this information. As always, file it away for future reference.
Activity 23:
Cover Letters

The next page contains newspaper classified ads. Respond to an ad which requires your individual skills and experience. (You may also look in your local newspaper.) Below is an example for you to follow.

205 Henderson Road
Edgetown Delaware 19947
May 5, 2005

Mr. Ronald Parks
Human Resources Manager
Blake Industries
300 East Main Street
Lewes, Delaware 19934

Dear Mr. Parks:

This letter is in reply to your advertisement for a clerical assistant which appeared in the Delaware State News on May 1, 2005. I will graduate from Cape Henlopen High School in June and am available for full-time employment at that time.

As the following comparison shows, my experience meets the requirements stated in the advertisement.

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I would be pleased to discuss this and my enclosed resume at your earliest convenience. In a few days, I will call you to arrange a suitable time. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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Ask for Interview

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Activity 24: Job Interviews

Read pages 71-72.

Read the following information on interview behavior.

INTERVIEW DO’S AND DON'TS

THE DO’S

DO dress conservatively.
DO check parking areas and where you are going ahead of time.
DO arrive ahead of time.
DO introduce yourself to receptionist, tell why you are here.
DO take resumes with you.
DO fill out application neatly.
DO have a firm handshake.
DO be yourself.
DO use good grammar.
DO show interest.
DO keep a pleasant expression on your face.
DO answer questions fully, not just yes or no.
DO have at least one question to ask (about working environment, hours, dress code, kinds of products, and when you should expect to hear a decision.)
DO say that you’d like the job, if it’s a job you want
DO thank interviewer for his/her time.
DO send follow up thank you letter within two days. If you don't hear by the time indicated, call back and ask the status of the position.

THE DON'TS

DON'T arrive late.
DON'T chew gum.
DON'T smoke cigarettes.
DON'T mumble your answer.
DON'T look around the office.
DON'T fidget while you’re sitting.
DON'T slouch.
DON'T put arms or elbows on the desk.
DON'T curse.
DON'T ask what the pay is unless you are being offered the job.
Answer the following questions:

1. List three things that you should bring to a job interview.

2. List two ways that you should prepare yourself before the job.

3. Name two things that you should know about a company before you are interviewed for a job.

4. List four rules to follow in order to have a good interview.

5. List three questions that you might be asked during an interview.

6. List three questions that you should ask during the interview.

7. What steps should a person take after being interviewed for a job?

Activity 24.2
Conduct a mock interview with a classmate using the questions on page 71.
**Activity 24.3**
Often your chances of employment can be increased by making another contact with the employer. This can be done by a telephone call or a thank-you letter. The thank-you letter is the most common follow-up method.

**FOLLOW-UP LETTER**

- A thank-you letter may be typed or neatly handwritten on personal stationary.
- The letter should be written soon after the company or job fair interview. The next day is best!
- The letter should state your continued interest in the job and your appreciation of the time spent with you during the interview.

**AFTER COMPANY INTERVIEW**

6200 Waverly Street  
Camden, Delaware 19906  
September 5, 2005

Mr. Mark J. Raynard  
Johnson Electronics, Inc.  
230 Washington Avenue  
New Castle, Delaware 19720

Dear Mr. Raynard:

Thank you for considering me for the position of electronics technician with your company. I am very impressed with your company and the enthusiasm that your employees have about their jobs.

If you need additional information, please contact me. Thank you again for your time and interest in me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Helena Harker

**AFTER JOB FAIR INTERVIEW**

1234 Main Street  
Newark, Delaware 19711  
September 5, 2005

Ms. Betty Springs  
State Banking Services  
33 Baltimore Street  
Millsboro, Delaware 19901

Dear Ms. Springs:

Thank you for participating in our job fair, Workforce 2005, this week. I was pleased to be able to interview with you and learn more about the opportunities in the banking industry.

As you have requested, I will call you next week to set an appointment for another interview. If you need any further information before then, I can be reached at 555-2415.

Thank you once again. I look forward to talking with you further.

Sincerely,

Carol Petersen
Activity 25:
Keeping Your Job

Activity 25.1
Complete the word search puzzle below.

Keeping A Job

- ATTITUDE
- HELPFUL
- RESOURCEFUL
- TEAMPLAYER
- DEPENDABLE
- PROFESSIONAL
- RESPECTFUL
- WORKER
- DIPLOMAT
- PUNCTUAL
- RESPONSIBLE

Activity 25.1
Complete the word search puzzle below.

| T | T | L | V | S | X | S | P | Y | I | N | L | R | J | F | U | L | W | O |
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Activity 25.2

Read page 72. Answer the following questions:

1. **What are three things workers should do to keep their new job and prepare for advancement?**

2. **Imagine you are an employer and one of your employees asks you for advice on how to get a promotion. What would you tell the employee about your expectations?**

3. **Suppose you and a friend apply for the same position. Your friend gets hired. How would you feel? How would you deal with the situation?**

4. **One of your co-workers has a bad attitude and is always complaining and saying negative things about your supervisor. What would you do in this situation?**
State Standards Addressed in the Compass

English Language Arts Content Standards

Language Arts Standard 1:
Students will use written and oral English appropriate for various purposes and audiences.

Language Arts Standard 2:
Students will construct, examine, and extend the meaning of literary, informative, and technical texts through listening, reading, and viewing.

Language Arts Standard 3:
Students will access, organize, and evaluate information gained through listening, reading and viewing.

Language Arts Standard 4:
Students will use literary knowledge accessed through print and visual media to connect self to society and culture.

Social Studies Content Standards

Economics Standard 1:
Students will analyze the potential costs and benefits of personal economic choices in a market economy.

Mathematics Contents Standards

Mathematics Standard 3:
Students will develop their ability to reason mathematically by solving problems in which there is a need to investigate significant mathematical ideas in all content areas; to justify their thinking; to reinforce and extend their logical reasoning abilities; to reflect on and clarify their own thinking; to ask questions to extend their thinking; and to construct their own learning.
Delaware Career Compass
Teacher’s Guide Evaluation

Some of you have used the Delaware Career Compass for several years and others may not be familiar with it. We want to increase awareness of the Compass and its use in the classroom. With the implementation of the Department of Education’s Career Pathways, we feel the Compass can be an important tool in designing course content to meet the Career Pathways standards of disseminating career information and linking student’s career awareness with various academic subjects.

The Delaware Career Compass addresses all phases of career development addressed in the Delaware Guidelines for K-12 Guidance Programs: assessing career interests and skills; job search skills; career exploration; the correlation between personal qualities, education and training; identifying career goals; and strategies for achieving career success.

We’re asking you, the experts, what we can do to improve the use of the Compass, and how it can help you incorporate career information into your curriculum. Thank you very much.

Name: ____________________________________________________________________
Title: ____________________________________________________________________
School: ____________________________________________________________________
Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________________  ____________________________________________________________________
E-mail: ____________________________________________________________________

1. In which setting do you use the Delaware Career Compass Teacher’s Guide?
   ___ Middle School/Jr. High School  ___ School Library
   ___ Comprehensive High School  ___ Alternative Program
   ___ Vocational High School  ___ Career Center
   ___ Other (Please specify) ___________________________________________________

2. At which grade levels do you find the information to be most appropriate?
   ___ Grade 8  ___ Grade 11
   ___ Grade 9  ___ Grade 12
   ___ Grade 10  ___ All of the above
   ___ Other (Please specify)___________________________________________________

3. The Delaware Career Compass Teacher’s Guide, to be an effective career development tool, must be easy and attractive to use. Please circle “Agree” or “Disagree” for each of the following statements:
   A. Overall format is visually interesting and attractive  Agree  Disagree
   B. Teacher Lesson Plans are useful  Agree  Disagree
   C. Too much information on each page  Agree  Disagree
   D. Student Activities enhance use of the Compass  Agree  Disagree
   E. Student Directions are clear  Agree  Disagree
4. How do you presently incorporate career development into your curriculum?
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5. What would encourage more teachers to use the Delaware Career Compass in the classroom?
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6. Please offer any further comments or specific suggestions which you feel would improve the use of the Delaware Career Compass. (Use additional pages if necessary)
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7. Please feel free to make comments on “specific” activities you use with your students using the Activity Evaluation Form (also included in this Guide). If you have corrections or suggestions for activity improvement, you may photocopy the activity, write your comments directly on the activity page, and fax it to us. We would also like to incorporate any new activities you develop.

Thank you very much for your time and advice!

Please return this evaluation to:
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Activity Evaluation Form
(Please use a separate sheet for each activity evaluated. Thanks!)

Activity No./Title: ______________________________________
Class in which used: ______________________________________
Grade in which used: ______________________________________

1. Are the student instructions clear in this activity?

2. Which of the Delaware Curriculum Content Standards do you feel this activity met?

3. Would you use this activity in your classroom again?

4. Do you have any ideas for ways to improve this activity?

5. Please share any activities you are currently using with your students or ideas you have for other activities.

Submitted by: ____________________________________________
School: ___________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________

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