

# ANNOUNCING! REALLY COOL STUFF FOR STUDENTS!

The students/parents component of the Wisconsin Career Pathways website is now live! It can be found at **WICAREERPATHWAYS.ORG/STUDENTS**.

Are you looking for resources to help make your Programs of Study usable by middle and high school students and parents? *It's here and it's free!* 

#### Students can:

# • Take the Career Clusters Student Interest Inventory

*Getting the total picture!* Once completed, this interest inventory gives students a complete summary of how all 16 clusters rank for them personally.

# Research Colleges and Careers by Pathway

Exploring made easy! Students can easily check out programs and majors of WI technical colleges, UW 2-year centers and 4-year campuses, and WI private colleges and universities along with a large amount of career information through O\*Net and Wisconsin's WORKNet.

# • Check out their High School's Programs of Study

Simplifying the work! Students can copy a Program of Study from their high school and personalize it as their individualized Plan of Study, which can then be saved in a secure space known as MiLocker. Documents, links to favorite pathways, college programs, and careers can also be stored in MiLocker, and students are able to save their plans as Word documents.

# Build an Extended Personal Plan of Study

*Taking it further!* A 9-12 high school plan is a great first step. By making a 9-14 or 9-16 plan, students can prepare for transition to postsecondary education!

#### • Reduce Schedule Changes

*Keeping it real!* By having a plan that is reviewed yearly, students can grow their plan as they grow with an education that prepares them for life and work.



Please announce the site to students! Soon each Wisconsin public middle and high school will receive a poster. The posters states:

Plan Your Life
Win an iPad
Just log on to:
WICareerPathways.org/students
Take the survey. Register to win. Play Invasion! (a fun game)

If you have not already done so....go out, check out your high school's Programs of Study at WICareerPathways.org!

With the creation of the student features, development of Programs of Study is even more important. Parents and students will want to see what is available at their high school!

# As a Counselor, you can:

- Stay current with your high school's Programs of Study
- Help students/parents by using the site during conferences
- Review the Plans of Study with students to help them make realistic postsecondary choices
- Keep students on track for college by using the "checklist" feature at each grade level

AND BEST OF ALL! This site is intuitive! For example, students create their own log in.

# **Ideas? Suggestions?**

If you have an idea of something you would like to see on this site, please let us know! Go to WICareerPathways.org and select "Request a Feature."

# Want to try it out?

As a school counselor, if you'd like the student experience of creating an account, taking the survey and setting up a locker, go to <a href="http://careeerpathways.dev.wisconline.org/students/">http://careeerpathways.dev.wisconline.org/students/</a>. Remember, this is a development site, so it has old data on careers, postsecondary programs and only a handful of Programs of Study that were built early on. It is a "practice site" solely for educators to create "fake" student accounts so they can explore the student element. To help you practice, a step-by-step user guide in PDF format has been posted.

For further assistance, contact Marge Rubin at 920-720-6811 or your local Career Prep (formerly Tech Prep) Coordinator.

# Help students Plan their Life!