Make a Career Plan

A career plan is a plan (or goals) for your career. A career plan needs short-term goals and long-term goals. Click here for: <u>Steps In Career Planning</u>

- 1. Where are you now?
- 2. What do you know?
- 3. Are you ready to apply for a job in your career path?
- 4. Do you need more education or training before applying?
- 5. Make a career plan to help get the skills you need to apply for the jobs you want.

Here are four steps to make a career plan:

- 1. **Explore careers** to find a career you want.
- 2. **Set goals** to reach the career.
- 3. **Get training** to prepare for your career.
- 4. And **learn more** to help yourself succeed.

In each of those steps you will have short-term goals and long-term goals. You decide which activities to put in your career plan.

Everyone is different, and everyone will have a different career plan. What will your career plan look like? Here are some questions to get started:

- What career do you want?
- What type of education or skills do you need to apply for a job in that career field?
- What steps will help you get the skills needed for your chosen career?
- What other information do you need to move ahead?

Think about these questions. Then, put the information in the order that will help you to meet your needs. You are creating your career plan!

<u>Create a Career Action Plan</u> <u>Career Planning Worksheet</u> <u>Match Skills To Interests</u>

Directions: Click on the link below to find a blank worksheet "My Career Plan." Print it out or save it on your computer. As you find career information on the MyMnCareers website, write down information important to you on this worksheet. Parents, teachers, and counselors can help you plan your career.

My Career Plan (182KB, .pdf)

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