



Wilkes County Schools 9-12 Career Development Continuum



>>> CAREER AWARENESS >>>

>>> CAREER EXPLORATION >>>

>>> CAREER PREPARATION >>>

>>> CAREER TRAINING >>>

9th Grade: Career AWARENESS

Learning ABOUT work

Student Learning Outcome:

Awareness of the connection between current secondary education CTE opportunities, the workforce, local industries and careers.

Experiences could include:

- *CTE Classes
- *CTSO Membership
- Credential Opportunities
- Naviance
- Guest Speakers
- Field Trips-College and Industry Visits
- Career Day
- Virtual Tours
- Career Research
- Career Interest Inventory
- Learnings Styles Inventory
- Job Shadow
- Goal Setting

10th Grade: Career EXPLORATION

Learning ABOUT work

Student Learning Outcome:

Deeper understanding of the workplace through career exploration to enable motivation and decision-making.

Experiences could include:

- *CTE Classes
- *CTSO Membership
- *NTHS Membership
- Credential Opportunities
- Guest Speakers
- Field Trips-College and Industry Visits
- Naviance
- Career Day
- Virtual Tours
- Career Research
- Job Shadow
- Review Goals/Reflect and adjust
- Create post-secondary goals and timeline

11th Grade: Career PREPARATION

Learning THROUGH work

Student Learning Outcome:

Develop basic foundational skills for college and career readiness. Enhance higher order thinking skills, technical skills, academic skills and applied workplace skills.

Experiences could include:

- *CTE Classes
- *CTSO Membership
- *NTHS Membership
- Internships
- Credential Opportunities
- Naviance Scope and Sequence Tasks
- Mock-Interviews
- Resume Workshops
- Job Application Workshops
- Interviewing Workshops
- Career Day
- Guest Speakers
- Field Trips-College and Industry Visits

12th Grade: Career TRAINING

Learning FOR work

Student Learning Outcome:

Determine next steps through 12th grade to be successful in postsecondary endeavors. Demonstrate knowledge of careers within specific pathways, and employability skills specific to Career/College goals.

Experiences could include:

- *CTE Classes
- *CTSO Membership
- *NTHS Membership
- Pre-Apprenticeships
- Internships
- Credential Opportunities
- Job Shadowing
- Mock-Interviews
- Resume Workshops
- Naviance Scope and Sequence Tasks
- Career Day
- Guest Speakers
- Field Trips-College and Industry Visits
- College Application Process

*CTSO: Career and Technical Student Organization, such as FFA, HOSA, FCCLA, FBLA, SkillsUSA

*NTHS: National Technical Honor Society

*CTE Classes Examples: Adobe Visual Design I and II, Health Science I and II, Horticulture I and II, Food and Nutrition I and II, Construction Core, Carpentry I and II, Drone Technology I and II, Animal Science I and II, Agricultural Mechanics I and II, Business Essentials, Sport and Event Marketing I and II, Interior Design, Child Development, Honors level courses.