

SP³ - Student Planning Pointers for Parents



Conversation Starters

Connecting Skills and Interests to Career Options – 9th Grade

You know your student the best, so the following talking points are simply a guideline to use in starting a conversation with your 9th grader that planning for a successful career starts in high school.

- ▶ Even if you are unsure what you want to do in the future, having some ideas and planning for them will help define what classes you should take and careers you should investigate. I want to help you with this.
- ▶ What careers interest you?
- ▶ What were the results of the career assessments you've taken? If it would help to take a different assessment, I am aware of one to explore.
- ▶ Let's talk about the careers that match up to your strengths and interests.
- ▶ I know some people who work in the careers you have mentioned. If you like, I can put you in contact with them. I think it will be a good experience for you to ask if you could shadow them during a work day and see what they do on a daily basis.



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