Must See Websites
Career Assessments for Transition Planning

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A very entertaining career exploration site, select your car & accessorize as you answer career questions:
http://www.driveofyourlife.org/

A quick and easy document for planning a program of study for a career cluster:
http://www.careerclusters.org/resources/web/pos.cfm

For free handouts on career clusters go to:
http://www.iluccte.org/cteillinois.htm

For learning how to write measurable post school goals and objectives and to answer ANY questions about secondary transition. This reference will take you directly to issues related to Indicator 13:
http://www.nsttac.org/indicator13/indicator13.aspx

Illinois One Source for a free career exploration program—check out CIS Jr., for students.
http://www.ilworkinfo.com/icrn.htm

A timeline for career transition
http://ilcis.intocareers.org/Viewhtml.aspx?File=/materials/parents_important.htm

Transition assessments and for sample "paper and pencil" activities:
http://www.ncwd-youth.info/assets/guides/assessment/AssessGuideComplete.pdf

Steve Wolfe has compiled an awesome set of websites listed according to the model created by the University of Waterloo. You can find the document at the following link:
http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/TransitionTools/CareerDevelopment/CareerLessonPlanIndex.htm
http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/TransitionTools/CareerDevelopment/CareerLessonPlanIndex.pdf

*Websites are always changing. As a result, **please**: (a) Let me know of links no longer working; (b) Send me new links you have discovered, so I can update this list; (c) Send me PDF and DOC files (paper-pencil assessments, checklists, etc) so they can be stored permanently on our server(s).*

1. Self Assessment

1.1. Personality- [**CC***] Personality Assessment tool located on each student's portfolio homepage.
- 1.1.1.1. [***CC**] = **http://www.careercruising.com** $$
- 1.1.1.2. http://www.humanmetrics.com
- 1.1.1.3. http://careerprep.ops.org/careerassessments.html
- 1.1.1.4. http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/ec/cp/cpt/planning-tools.html
- 1.1.1.5. http://www.colorwize.com/colorme.asp (very visual assessment)
- 1.1.1.6. http://test.personality-project.org/ (known as the "Big-5" Personality Test)
- 1.1.1.7. http://www.keirsey.com/

1.2. Values- [**CC**] Career Selector with Careers Section
- 1.2.1.1. http://library.thinkquest.org/J001709/thinkquest_values/introfolder/intropage_frameset.html (late elementary starting point & review for later)

1.2.1.2. http://www.alis.gov.ab.ca/ec/cp/cpt/planning-tools.html

1.3. Perception of My Disability –

1.3.1.1. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/MyPerceptionsOfMyDisability.doc
1.3.1.2. **http://www.ncwd-youth.info/resources_&_Publications/411.html**
1.3.1.3. http://pubsites.uws.edu.au/rdlo/disclosure/index2.htm
1.3.1.4. http://www.jan.wvu.edu/
1.3.1.5. http://www.difabilities.net/Teachers.htm

1.4. Skills

1.4.1. Social Skills

1.4.1.1. http://www.pearsonassessments.com/ssrs.aspx $$$$$$
1.4.1.2. http://paulsimonchicago.jobcorps.gov/socialskills.htm
1.4.1.3. http://paulsimonchicago.jobcorps.gov/vocational_trades.htm
1.4.1.4. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/SocialSkillsLessonPlanStarter.pdf
1.4.1.5. http://www.parenting.org/behavior/socialskills/
1.4.1.6. http://www.lessonplanet.com/search?keywords=social+skills&rating=3Lesson Plans
1.4.1.7. http://pbiscompendium.ssd.k12.mo.us/ResourcesSchools/SSD/SocialSkills/activiti.htmLarge Compilation of Lesson Plans
1.4.1.8. http://www.cloudnet.com/~edrbsass/affectiveeducation.htmlLesson Plans on Affective Skills
1.4.1.9. http://www.cccoe.net/social/skillslist.htmComplete & Organized list of social skills Lessons
1.4.1.10. http://www.cccoe.net/social/opening.htm... So! Better Start at the Beginning

1.4.2. Academic Skills & Critical Thinking

1.4.2.1. http://careerprep.ops.org/gradplanning.php
1.4.2.2. http://www.career.fsu.edu/occupations/matchmajor/
1.4.2.3. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/RelatingMyEducationToGoals.pdf
1.4.2.4. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/CriticalThinkingSkillsPedagogy.pdf

1.4.3. Work Skills- My Skills assessment in Career Matchmaker

1.4.3.1. *ACTWorkskills AND WORKKEYS ASSESSMENTS*
1.4.3.2. http://www.keytrain.com/keytrain/ktn_about.asp $$$$$
1.4.3.3. http://www.act.org/workkeys/assess/index.html $$$$$
1.4.3.4. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/CO-TK-DomainTransitionSkillTracker.pdf
1.4.3.5. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/Overview of Employability Assessment.pdf

1.4.4. Independent Living & Self-Determination

1.4.4.1. **http://www.caseylifeskills.org/pages/assess/assess_aclsa.htm**
1.4.4.2. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/Checklist-TransitionEducationIndicators.pdf
1.4.4.3. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/AIR Self-Determination Educator.pdf
1.4.4.4. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/AIR-Self-DeterminationScale-ParentForm.pdf
1.4.4.5. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/AIR-Self-DeterminationScale-StudentForm.pdf
1.4.4.6. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/AIR-Self-DeterminationScale-UserGuide.pdf
1.4.4.7. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/Overview of Independent Living.pdf
1.4.4.8. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/TRANSITION PLANNING SELF INVENTORY.doc
1.4.4.9. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/RuralInstitute-StudentPlanningWorkbook.pdf
1.4.4.10. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/RuralInstitute-WorkExperienceManual.pdf
1.4.4.11. http://urbanext.illinois.edu/ce/strat-index.html#prim

1.4.5. Conflict Management Skills

1.4.5.1. http://humanresources.about.com/od/managementtips/a/conflict_solue.htm
1.4.5.2. http://managementhelp.org/intrpsnl/basics.htm
1.4.5.3. http://www.themanager.org/hr/workplace_conflict.htm
1.4.5.4. http://disputeresolution.ohio.gov/country/us.htm scroll down to links
1.4.5.5. http://www.newconversations.net/communication_skills_workbook_introduction.htm

1.5. Interests- [**CC**] Career Interest Inventory: Matchmaker

1.5.1.1. http://career.missouri.edu/students/explore/thecareerinterestsgame.php
1.5.1.2. http://www.roguecc.edu/Counseling/HollandCodes/test.asp
1.5.1.3. http://www.self-directed-search.com
1.5.1.4. http://www.nycareerzone.org/graphic/assessment/index.jsp
1.5.1.5. http://www.disabilitytraining.com/rfvs.html
1.5.1.6. http://www.asvabprogram.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=overview.test
1.5.1.7. http://www.caseylifeskills.org/pages/assess/assess_aclsa.htm
1.5.1.8. http://www.careerprep.org/careerpath.htm
1.5.1.9. http://www.indiana.edu/~rpajobs/ (sports oriented)

1.5.1.10. http://ilcis.intocareers.org/loginmain.aspx?cookieTest=y
1.5.1.11. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/AIR-CareerClusterInterestSurvey.pdf
1.5.1.12. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/QuickbookGuideToTransitionAssessments.pdf
1.5.1.13. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/AssessmentGuide-Complete.pdf

1.6. Multiple Intelligences- [**CC**] Learning Styles Inventory tool located on each students portfolio homepage.
1.6.1.1. **http://metamath.com/lsweb/dvclearn.htm**
1.6.1.2. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/CITE-Learning Styles.pdf
1.6.1.3. http://www.lesley.edu/faculty/kholmes/presentations/MI.html
1.6.1.4. http://www.bgfl.org/bgfl/custom/resources_ftp/client_ftp/ks3/ict/multiple_int/questions/questions.cfm
1.6.1.5. http://literacyworks.org/mi/assessment/findyourstrengths.html
1.6.1.5. http://surfaquarium.com/Mi/inventory.htm
1.6.1.6. http://wv.educationplanner.org/education_planner/discovering_article.asp?sponsor=2869&articleName=Learning_Styles_Quiz

1.7. Entrepreneurialism: Do you have what it takes to run your own business?
1.7.1.1. http://www.sba.gov/assessmenttool/index.html
1.7.1.2. http://www.liraz.com/webquiz.htm
1.7.1.3. http://www.mvp.cfee.org/en/selfassessment.html
1.7.1.4. http://www.davincimethod.com/entrepreneur-test/
1.7.1.5. http://www.bdc.ca/en/business_tools/entrepreneurial_self-Assessment/Entrepreneurial_self_assessment.htm
1.7.1.6. http://www.tvaed.com/pdf/entrepreneur_self_test.pdf

1.8. Parent/Community/Team involvement
1.8.1.1. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/TransitionToolKitForParents.pdf

2. Career Research

2.1. Career Lab Experience- 8th Grade Career Lab Day; Available for all students
2.2. Career Information
2.2.1.1. http://www.khake.com/page94.html
2.2.2. [**CC**] Online Career Exploration/Assessment Programs (such as Career Cruising)
2.2.3. [**CC**] Career Research Papers/projects- Career Cruising Activities within the program set located in "i" section.
2.2.4. [**CC**] Gaining Experience- Career Planning Activities under Career Preparation in My Portfolio Homepage
2.3. Career Information Interviews - [**CC**] Career Profiles Interviews
2.4. Career Trends - [**CC**] Occupational Outlook Handbook Information located on the Earnings page within individual career profiles
2.4.1.1. http://ruralinstitute.umt.edu/transition/careerplanning.asp
2.5. Career Assessment for deaf and hard of hearing
2.5.1.1. http://www.pepnet.org/itransition.asp

Full Career Resources:

http://www.careercruising.com
http://www.careerkey.org/asp/getting_started.asp
http://www.illinoisworknet.com/vos_portal/?partner=
http://www.cdm.uwaterloo.ca/index2.asp
http://my.monster.com/Career-Management/Landing.aspx
http://www.careervoyages.gov
http://www.canadiancareers.com/index.html
https://secure.illinoismentor.org/career/careercenter/career_self_assessment.asp

3. Career Decision Making

3.1. Defining Personal Objectives- [**CC**] Portfolio Section of Career Preparation: Career and Life Goals
3.2. Defining Career Objectives- [**CC**] Portfolio Section of Career Preparation: Career and Life Goals
3.3. Goal Setting- [**CC**] Portfolio Section of Career Preparation: Career and Life Goals
3.3.1. Take Act Practice.pdf
3.3.2. **http://www.number2.com/** (Online practice tests)
3.3.3. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/GOALSAFTERGRADUATION.doc
3.4. Looking at Lifelong Learning- [**CC**] Portfolio Section for Career Preparation: Postsecondary Plan
3.4.1.1. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/RelatingMyEducationToGoals.pdf

4. Network and Contacts

4.1. Resume and Letters- [**CC**] Resume Builder in My Portfolio
- 4.1.1.1. http://www.londoncareers.net/features/smp/smp28052008.htm
- 4.1.1.2. http://www.illinoisworknet.com/vos_portal/?partner=

4.2. Interviews- [**CC**] Save Careers of Interest to My Portfolio
- 4.2.1.1. http://www.illinoisskillsmatch.com/
- 4.2.1.2. http://www.illinoisworknet.com/vos_portal/?partner=
- 4.2.1.3. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/TipsForRecoveringFromABadInterview.doc
- 4.2.1.4. http://www.vase.k12.il.us/Services/Transition/Articles/InterviewRubric-SmartStarttoLandingAJob.pdf

4.3. Work Search- [**CC**] Save to My Files in My Portfolio
- **4.3.1.1. http://www.illinoisskillsmatch.com/**
- **4.3.1.2. http://www.jobbankusa.com/**
- 4.3.1.3. http://www.careerbuilder.com/
- 4.3.1.4. http://www.monster.com/
- 4.3.1.5. http://www.hound.com/
- 4.3.1.6. http://www.dice.com/
- 4.3.1.7. http://www.worktree.com/
- 4.3.1.8. http://online.onetcenter.org/
- 4.3.1.9. http://www.federaljobsearch.com/
- 4.3.1.10. http://www.federaljobsearch.com/
- 4.3.1.11. http://blog.indeed.com/
- 4.3.1.12. http://www.jibberjobber.com/blog/2009/02/04/10-free-job-search-resources-online/
- 4.3.1.13. http://www.jobweb.com/
- 4.3.1.14. http://www.jobbankinfo.org/

5. Work

5.1. Weighing the Pros and Cons of Work Offers- [**CC**] Career Profile Information; ICSPS Game-This Could Be Your Life, located on each students portfolio homepage.
- 5.1.1.1. http://career.missouri.edu/students/explore/thecareerinterestsgame.php
- 5.1.1.2. http://thinkquest.org/en/projects/index.html
- 5.1.1.3. http://thinkquest.org/pls/html/think.help?id=199737
- 5.1.1.4. http://www.idonresources.com/ct/example.html
- 5.1.1.5. http://www.irs.gov/app/understandingTaxes/index.jsp
- 5.1.1.6. http://www.realgame.com/usa.html

5.2. Retaining a Job/Success at Work
- 5.2.1.1. http://www.jobbankusa.com/jobret.html
- 5.2.1.2. http://humanresources.about.com/od/retention/Retention_of_Employees_Tips_and_Tools_for_Employee_Retention.htm
- 5.2.1.3. http://www.nwm.org/jobretention.asp

6. Re-Evaluating the Plan

Modified from the 2002-03 eManual from the University of Waterloo's Career Exploration program:
http://www.cdm.uwaterloo.ca/index2.asp

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