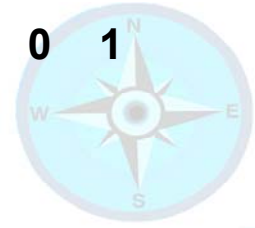

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GRADE: 8

LESSON: 12

THEME: PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR



LESSON GOALS:

- Help students follow up on what they've learned about courses they'll need in high school.
- Connect students' Career Pathway explorations with high school courses.
- Help students create a High School Plan.

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS:

- What will I do after high school?
- How can I plan?

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- **High School Plan Handout** (*located on the next page of this lesson plan*)
- **Scheduling Video** (*from your lead advisor*)

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES:

1. **Review high school coursework needs.** Review the information students discussed during Lesson 11 about the courses they'll need to take during high school. Stress again the distinction between **minimum graduation requirements** (what students must take to graduate) and the courses counselors **recommend** they take to prepare for postsecondary education and careers. Show the **Scheduling video** to reiterate the importance of advanced courses. (*10- 15 minutes*)
2. **Discuss how a Career Pathway choice will affect high school courses.** Next, talk about the Career Pathway Worksheets students completed during Lesson 9. Do they have any ideas about how a choice of career pathway might affect the courses they take during high school? Discuss how, for instance, someone planning to pursue a career in the Engineering, Science, and Technology pathway will probably need more math and computer courses. (*5-10 minutes*)
3. **Finally, introduce the High School Plan, which students will complete in preparation for preparing a Four-year course plan next year.** Your students won't create a formal Four-year Plan until next year. But, to get them thinking strategically about what they will do during high school, help them review and then complete the **High School Plan** handout. (*5-10 minutes*)

STUDENT PRODUCTS:

- **High School Plan.** Students should create High School Plans and file them in their portfolios.



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HIGH SCHOOL PLAN



Name: _____ Grade: _____ Advisor: _____

WHAT ARE YOUR LONG-TERM DREAMS?

Which career pathway seems most interesting to you?

- Agriculture, Science, and Natural Resources
- Art, Media, Communications, and Design
- Business, Management, and Finance
- Education, Social, and Health Services
- Engineering, Science, and Technology

Which careers are you most interested in within this pathway?

Career Idea #1: _____

Career Idea #2: _____

Career Idea #3: _____

What type of education do you think these careers will require?

- A high school education
- A 2-year degree (Associate's Degree) from a community or technical college
- An apprenticeship
- A 4-year degree (Bachelor's Degree) from a 4-year college or university
- Post-graduate education (such as a medical or law degree)

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO SUCCEED IN HIGH SCHOOL?

Based on the information above, please check the boxes below that apply to you.

- I need to take 3 or 4 years of math because _____
- I need to take 3 or 4 years of science because _____
- I need to take a foreign language during high school. I'd like to take _____
- I need specialized classes (such as music or computer programming). I'm interested in:

