
N A V I G A T I O N 1 0 1

GRADE: 8

LESSON: 19



THEME: PLANNING FOR LIFE AFTER HIGH SCHOOL

LESSON GOALS:

- Help students prepare for their 8th Grade Presentation.
- Help students prepare for the transition into high school.

ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS:

- What do I want to do next year?
- How can I succeed?

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- **8th Grade Presentation Worksheet**
- **Students' Portfolios** (*students will want to review their work from the year*)
- **Students' High School Plans** (*from their portfolios*)

CLASSROOM ACTIVITIES:

1. **Discuss the purpose of the 8th Grade Presentation.** Remind students that their 8th Grade Presentation will be their opportunity to present themselves and their high school goals to their new high school advisor. Explain that each presentation will have two parts: (1) a brief summary of the information they presented in their recent student-led conference; and (2) a summary of their High School Plan. Review the logistics of the presentations. (*5 minutes*)
2. **Review students' High School Plans.** Next, have students retrieve their **High School Plans** from their portfolios. They created these plans during Lesson 12 to summarize their interests and to set goals for their four years in high school. What did they say on those plans? (*5 minutes*)
3. **Prepare for 8th Grade Presentations.** Using the **8th Grade Presentation Worksheet**, ask your students to outline their presentations. They can draw on their student-led conferences; and their completed High School Plans. They will be asked to show several different things from their portfolios. Give them time to practice and prepare. (*10-15 minutes*)

STUDENT PRODUCTS:

8th Grade Presentation Worksheet. Each student should complete the worksheet and prepare for his or her presentation.



8TH GRADE PRESENTATION WORKSHEET



Name: _____ Grade: _____ Advisor: _____

WHO ARE YOU? AND WHAT DO YOU WANT TO DO?

During your 8th grade presentation you will have the opportunity to introduce yourself to your high school advisor. After your student-led conferences in middle school, it should be easy to present yourself! You will be asked to do two things during your 8th Grade Presentation:

- (1) Answer the three questions from your student-led conference; and
- (2) Summarize your High School Plan.

FIRST, INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Start by shaking your new advisor’s hand. Say your name and the name of your middle school advisor. Then answer the three questions below. Show one piece of work from your portfolio for each answer.

| Question | What I should <u>say</u> | What I can <u>show</u> from my portfolio to back up what I’m saying |
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| <i>What have I accomplished in school this year?</i> | | |
| <i>What do I want to do in the future?</i> | | |
| <i>Who am I?</i> | | |

NEXT, SUMMARIZE YOUR HIGH SCHOOL PLAN

“The Career Pathway I am most interested in is _____ and the career I am currently most interested in is _____. The postsecondary education I will need is _____. The things I’d like to do to succeed in high school are _____.”

Don’t forget to answer any questions and to thank your new advisor!

