Put College in Your Future with CFNC.org

Ever wonder what you’ll do in the future?

Middle school is a great time to explore possible careers and the education you’ll need.

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Helping you plan, apply, and pay for college

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Take the Right Steps Toward College

Use CFNC.org to find all the FREE tools and resources you need to investigate careers and get on track for college. You can even call CFNC toll-free at 866-866-CFNC with your specific questions.

1. Learn About Yourself
   - Start thinking about your talents and interests.
   - Take a career inventory at CFNC.org.
   - Get involved in extracurricular activities.
   - Attend summer camps to help you explore your interests, or search a list of programs called “College Preparation Opportunities” at CFNC.org.
   - Consider volunteer opportunities in your community—help others and learn more about yourself.
   - Participate in academic enrichment programs, workshops, and camps with a specialty focus.

2. Get Ready For High School
   - Take the most challenging courses you can.
   - Ask for help or tutoring with any subject in which you are having difficulty.
   - Read, read, read! Ask your English teacher or school librarian to suggest good books.
   - Develop good study habits and time management skills.
   - Consider taking college preparatory courses, such as Algebra I or a foreign language.
   - Get organized! Consider any changes you need to make to your study habits and time management.

3. Explore Careers
   - Register for a Career Exploration course at your school, if available.
   - Ask your parents, relatives, or other adults about their jobs and the education needed to get them.
   - Take a career inventory at CFNC.org.
   - Select special-interest courses, such as art or journalism, to learn about possible careers.
   - Checkout thousands of career profiles on CFNC.org featuring interviews, videos, and links.

4. Check Out NC Colleges
   - Check out CFNC.org to learn about the different types of colleges.
   - Use CFNC.org with your parent or guardian to explore options to help pay for college.
   - “Tour” NC colleges and universities at CFNC.org.
   - Visit a college campus, if possible, when your family goes on a trip.

8th Graders
Don’t Forget!

- Begin your planner at CFNC.org to keep track of all your courses, grades, activities, honors, and career information.
- Attend high school planning and orientation sessions with your parent or guardian.
- Discuss your 9th grade course choices carefully with your school counselor and your parent or guardian. Your selections directly affect your options for college.