

Elementary School Level

College and Career Readiness Internet Resource Guide

The 2013-2014 College and Career Readiness Resource Guide includes only **FREE** internet resources for college and career readiness activities. It is divided into 3 sections; resources for students, teachers and parents. The student activities are suitable for computer lab usage, but please ensure that district internet policy is followed. All websites were valid at the time of publication. Please share your comments and ideas for future editions with us at kevans@hcde-texas.org.

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For Elementary School Students:

1. All Terrain Brain



<http://www.allterrainbrain.org>

Be your own boss in interactive games that explore your entrepreneurial side.

2. American Society of Civil Engineers



http://www.asceville.org/just_for_fun.html

Play games to learn engineering principles and learn about careers in the field.

3. AstroVenture



<http://astroventure.arc.nasa.gov/>

NASA interactive website lets you explore a career in space.

4. Bioworks U!



<http://www.bioworksu.com/>

Website introduces students to careers in life science at a virtual university.

5. Bizkid\$!



<http://bizkids.com/games>

Visit this site to play investment/business games and learn about becoming an entrepreneur.

6. Campus Tours



www.campustours.com

Log on and choose the college campus you want to tour.

7. Career Aisle



<http://knowitall.scetv.org/careerraise/students/elementary/games.cfm>

Visit the website for videos and activities about different careers.

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8. Career Zone



<https://www.careerzone.ny.gov/views/careerzone/stem/stemventures.jsf>

Explore careers in STEM related fields as you create an avatar and go on a stemventure.

9. CIA



<https://www.cia.gov/kids-page/k-5th-grade/index.html>

Website has fun games and information about careers in federal government.

10. EEK! Environmental Education for Kids



<http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/ce/eeek/job/index.htm>

Explore environmentally focused careers at this website sponsored by State of Wisconsin.

11. Energy Kids



<http://www.eia.gov/kids/>

Information about energy, careers and fun games are all located here.

12. Kids.gov



<http://kids.usa.gov/jobs/index.shtml>

Visit to see information about government jobs, videos and game on careers.

13. Monterey Bay Aquarium



http://www.montereybayaquarium.org/lc/teachers_place/resources_games_interactives.aspx?c=ln

Play fun games and explore the bottom of the sea as you learn about marine biology careers.

14. National Geographic



<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/kids/stories/peopleplaces/>

Watch videos to find out about careers in the science and nature field.

15. What Do You Like?



<http://www.bls.gov/k12/>

Explore career information from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

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For Elementary School teachers:

1. America's Career Resource Network



<http://acrn.ovae.org/teachers/careerexpclassrm.htm>

Help students explore careers and choose interests assessments to see how well potential careers fit.

2. Careers are Everywhere!



<http://www.cdr.state.tx.us/shared/CareersAreEverywhere.asp>

Information and a career activity workbook can be found on this site.

3. Catch the Bug- Careers Awareness for Elementary Students



http://olmis.emp.state.or.us/pubs/careers/career_aware1.pdf

This career magazine connects personalities with vocational choices.

4. ECMC Foundation, The College Place



<http://www.ecmcfoundation.org/details/believing.html>

Website has downloadable curriculum, "Believing the College Dream" geared to 4th grade and above.

5. Khake- Vocational Information Center



<http://www.khake.com/page56.html>

Site provides resources that focus on how math is used in different jobs.

6. Minnesota Office of Higher Education



<http://www.ohe.state.mn.us/gPg.cfm?pageID=1616>

Site includes a 5th grade workbook about goal setting and ties skills and interests to career choices.

7. Missouri Career Education



<http://www.missouricareereducation.org/doc/guidelsn/All-GrK-5.pdf>

Site features elementary lesson plans on careers.

8. Monterey Bay Aquarium



http://www.montereybayaquarium.org/lc/kids_place/kidseq_careers.aspx

Site provides information about careers in marine science and curriculum on marine life.

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9. OK Career Tech



http://www.okcareertech.org/cac/Pages/resources_products/Classroom/elem_lessons.htm

Site provides lesson plans as well as a guide to use with teacher career newsletter.

10. Share My Lesson



<http://www.sharemylesson.com>

Visit this website where thousands of lesson plans and activities can be accessed by joining for free.

11. Virginia Careerview



<http://vacareerview.org/pro/>

Site includes links to “College is my Future” college awareness curriculum, resources on college, and teacher’s manual geared to 7th and 8th grade students.

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Parents of Elementary School Students:

1. America's Career Resource Network



<http://acrn.ovae.org/parents.aspx#starting>

Help your children make the most of their talents and interests and get the education and skills they need for college and work.

2. Career Awareness in Elementary School



<http://pacareerstandards.com/documents/supporting-resources/brochure-career-awareness-in-elementary-school.pdf>

This resource from Pennsylvania provides information about talking to your child about their education and future.

3. Center for Student Opportunity



<http://csopportunity.org/>

Website includes a unique college guide designed to help 1st generation, low income students make college a reality, as well as scholarship information.

4. FinAid!



<http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/age13.phtml>

Website includes access to college scholarships available to students under 13 years of age.

5. Minnesota Office of Higher Education



http://www.getreadyforcollege.org/gPg.cfm?pageID=1626&1534-D83A_1933715A=cd9b521431168329a27c708b73a0f110adbd56b3

Site provides English and Spanish parent guide about saving for and paying for postsecondary education.

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6. My Child's Future



<http://www.mychildsfuture.org/parents/item.htm?id=0>

This website contains information about how parents can support their child's educational dreams.

7. Own Your Own Future



<http://www.ownyourownfuture.com/for-parents/>

Guide provides information and tools to guide, support and encourage your child toward postsecondary education.

8. Texas College and Career



<https://www.texascollegeandcareer.org/Ext/Texas/Home/students-and-families/parents-and-mentors.html>

One stop, no cost online resource site to help students graduate ready for college and career success.

9. Virginia Career View



<http://vacareerview.org/parents/explore-careers-with-kids/career-activities-parents-students>

Website includes information about careers and activities that families can do together.

10. Your Words Today



<http://www.yourwordstoday.org>

Website sponsored by Hispanic Scholarship fund with parent toolkit on the importance of education.