



# CAREER AND EDUCATION PLAN BUILDER

**Name:**

**Instructions:** Use this self-guided Plan Builder as you navigate through the course. In the three lessons, you'll explore career and education pathways, salary and lifestyle considerations, and school or training center options. Record your selections below in the Plan Builder so you can reference them later or share them with family, teachers, or school counselors.

## SECTION 1: EXPLORING PATHWAYS THAT MATCH YOUR INTERESTS

**Part 1**

Career Options that Match Your Interests

**Career Cluster of Interest:**

Why?

**Career Option 1:**

Why?

**Career Option 2:**

Why?

**Part 2**

Education Pathways that Match Your Interests

**Education Pathway for Career Option 1:**

**Preferred Education Pathway:**

Why?

**Education Pathway for Career Option 2:**



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## SECTION 2: CONSIDERING YOUR FUTURE EARNINGS AND LIFESTYLE

**Part 1**

Potential Earnings for Your Chosen Careers

**Median Pay Per Year for Career Option 1: \$**

**Median Pay Per Year for Career Option 2: \$**

**Part 2**

Your Estimated Cost of Living

**Required Annual Income for Your Current Location:**

\$

**Required Annual Income for Your Future Location:**

\$

**How does the median pay for Career Option 1 compare to the required annual income for your current location?**

- Median pay is lower
- About equal
- Median pay is higher

**How does the median pay for Career Option 2 compare to the required annual income for your current location?**

- Median pay is lower
- About equal
- Median pay is higher

**How does the median pay for Career Option 1 compare to the required annual income for your new location?**

- Median pay is lower
- About equal
- Median pay is higher

**How does the median pay for Career Option 2 compare to the required annual income for your new location?**

- Median pay is lower
- About equal
- Median pay is higher

**Part 3**

Make a Career Choice

**Career Choice:**

**Why?**



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## SECTION 3: RESEARCHING SCHOOLS AND YOUR FUNDING OPTIONS

### Part 1

School Options and Cost

**School Option 1:**

**School Option 2:**

**Type of School:**

Private  Public  For-profit

**Type of School:**

Private  Public  For-profit

**Program/Major:**

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**Program Length:**

**Program Length:**

**Total Cost to Complete Program:**

\$

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\$

### Part 2

Paying for Your Education

**Average Grants and Scholarships  
for Option 1: \$**

**Average Grants and Scholarships  
for Option 2: \$**

**Net Price: \$**

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**How much of your Net Price is  
covered by the following:**

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covered by the following:**

**Family  
Contributions:**

\$

**Family  
Contributions:**

\$

**Personal  
Earnings:**

\$

**Personal  
Earnings:**

\$

**Student Loans:**

\$

**Student Loans:**

\$

**Monthly  
Student Loan  
Payment:**

\$

**Monthly  
Student Loan  
Payment:**

\$

### Part 3

Choose Your School

**School of Choice:**

**Why?**

Congratulations! You successfully completed Your Career and Education Plan Builder. Save your completed plan so you can refer to it later and share with your guidance counselor and family.