

Welcome to.....  
Carroll's Career Zone



Guiding students in...  
“Self Knowledge....Exploration....Career Planning”

The four qualities of a mature and conscious contributor to society are:

- Personal Integrity
- Workplace Literacy
  - Civic Awareness
- Academic Proficiency

Welcome to Career Development Services  
At  
Carroll Middle School

What is Career Development ?

Career Development is defined as “the process through which an individual comes to understand his or her place in the world of work.” Students develop and identify their careers through a continuum of career awareness, career exploration, and work exposure activities that help them to discern their own career path.

Career Development encompasses an individual’s education and career related choices, and the outcome of those choices.

Carroll students learn to assess, explore and plan as a part of the exciting journey to discovering and realizing their future careers.

Students also learn the importance of developing positive character, such as; Responsibility, Respect, Courage, Kindness, Self-Discipline, Integrity, Perseverance, and Good Judgment as skills to obtain in the Career Development process.

Together we can make a positive impact on your child’s life !

How to Get Involved...

You are invited to share information about your career with the students at Carroll!

What you should do...

- Please read the “Parents as Partners” information in the yellow Career Planning handout.
- Record the information requested under “How Can I Get Involved?”

- Return the completed information to Barbara Sherman, Career Development Coordinator at Carroll. You may Email Mrs. Sherman at [bsherman@wcpss.net](mailto:bsherman@wcpss.net) or telephone at 881-1386

### Career Activities !

- My First Resume

Every student at Carroll will start the year off by creating a resume ! Students will use the CareerKids.com (“My First Resume”) program to create their resume. The resume will highlight student achievements, skills and awards. Students will file the resume in a personal Career Portfolio. Students will update their resumes at the end of the school year to include new experiences and achievements.

- North Carolina Career Pathways

Students will be introduced to the 11 North Carolina Career Pathways which include;

1. Agricultural and Natural Resources Technologies
2. Arts and Sciences
3. Biological and Chemical Technologies
4. Business Technologies
5. Commercial and Artistic Production Technologies
6. Construction Technologies
7. Engineering Technologies
8. Health Sciences Technologies
9. Industrial Technologies
10. Public Service Technologies
11. Transport Systems Technologies

- Career Assessment

Students will conduct interest assessments to discover how their skills, abilities and interests match with careers. Students will research the careers of interest and have an opportunity to connect online with career mentors.

- Career Cafés

Career guest speakers will visit with students and parents/guardians during lunch to share career information, including education and training opportunities.

- Career Days

Each grade level will participate in Career Day activities which include; classroom guest speakers representing careers of interest indicated by students (you could be one of our guests)

- Career Labs

Students will have an opportunity to work on laptop computers to explore career websites and develop online portfolios that will follow them to high school.

- Job Shadowing

Students will have an opportunity to Job Shadow on “National Groundhog Job Shadow Day” in February and on “Take Your Child to Work Day” in April.

- Mock Job Interviewing and Job Applications

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will have an opportunity to conduct a mock job interview and complete a mock job application with a member of Carroll’s Business Alliance.

- Work Permits

Students who are age eligible and have parent permission to secure a work permit, will receive guidance and support to complete this process.

- Career Information Fairs

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will participate onsite and offsite in Career Information Fairs for the purpose of gathering information from professionals representing a variety of careers.

Please contact Barbara Sherman, Career Development Coordinator if you have any questions or concerns. We look forward to sharing an enjoyable and productive year with you and your (our) Carroll student!

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