

# Make it real for your students

Seeing the future they want and reaching that dream is not clear for many Ohio students.

By 2018, 60 percent of all jobs will require education and training beyond high school.

You work every day to show your students what it takes to be successful. You make the link for students between what they are learning and future careers.

## Career Connections is a new support for you.

It provides decision-making materials, information and tools that easily fit into classroom instruction at all grades levels.



## HOW DO YOU GET STARTED WITH CAREER CONNECTIONS?

First, take a look at what you are currently doing to help students discover their interests and potential jobs or careers.

Then, use Career Connections to build and expand specific ways that you can connect existing activities with what students are learning in the grade or classroom.

### Examples for high school:

*Students will brainstorm characteristics of effective speakers and look for them as they watch selected video clips. After viewing videos of three dynamic speakers, students will talk about how communications skills are important across all types of jobs (for example, hospitality, IT or health). Students will include communication skills in their plans for education and training through high school and beyond.*

Making connections excite and motivate students to learn.

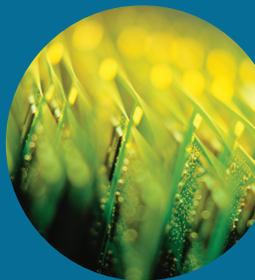
## HOW IS OHIO HELPING?

An exciting, robust online tool – **OhioMeansJobs K-12** – grabs and guides your students through job and career exploration based on their interests. It is a no-cost career planning resource that focuses on opportunities available in Ohio.

OhioMeansJobs K-12 allows students to fill a backpack designed for them. The “Explore It” menu includes a profile of their interests, career information, a plan and a budget for education and training, possible occupations, potential salaries, resume and job searches.

### Take a tour and get your students started at:

[education.ohio.gov/CareerConnections](http://education.ohio.gov/CareerConnections)



**Elementary**  
become aware of jobs and careers.

**Middle**  
explore careers.

**High School**  
make career plans.

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## CAREER OPTIONS

This is just a sample of the information you can find at [OhioMeansJobs.com](http://OhioMeansJobs.com).

### HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR EQUIVALENT

OCCUPATION TITLE	MEDIAN ANNUAL INCOME
Office Clerks	\$27,550
Customer Service Representatives	\$30,520
Medical Secretaries	\$29,350
Sales Representatives (Wholesale and Manufacturing)	\$51,260
Team Assemblers (Manufacturing)	\$29,350

### CERTIFICATE OR SOME COLLEGE

OCCUPATION TITLE	MEDIAN ANNUAL INCOME
Dental Assistant	\$33,690
Licensed Practical Nurses	\$39,910
Computer User Support Specialists	\$42,750
Heating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Mechanics and Installers	\$42,580
Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$37,410

### ASSOCIATE DEGREE

OCCUPATION TITLE	MEDIAN ANNUAL INCOME
General and Operations Managers	\$89,770
Radiologic Technologists (i.e., x-rays and CAT scans)	\$51,230
Dental Hygienists	\$65,510
Construction Managers	\$73,220
Respiratory Therapists	\$52,490

### BACHELOR'S DEGREE

OCCUPATION TITLE	MEDIAN ANNUAL INCOME
Accountants and Auditors	\$59,610
Computer Systems Analysts	\$76,210
Market Research Analysts and Marketing Specialists	\$55,450
Software Developers	\$80,010
Human Resources Specialists	\$52,690

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## CAREER PATHWAYS

A Career Pathway is a collective look at education and training, wage and outlook information for related occupations. These pathways offer an overview of the various career options along with education and training that can begin as early as grade 7. Whether a student is interested in going to college, getting a certificate or working right after high school, career pathways can be customized for any ambition or plan. For additional career planning resources, visit [OhioMeansJobs.com](http://OhioMeansJobs.com).

### Health Science, Dental Pathway



## INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS AND SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Start your students thinking about their futures. Help them find careers that match their skills and interests.



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