

# CaliforniaColleges.edu for Middle School

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“All California students deserve the opportunity to earn a college degree and pursue the career of their dreams.

CaliforniaColleges.edu makes it possible for students to plan their career, apply to college, and get financial aid - for free - all on one website.”

— **Governor Gavin Newsom**



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# What is CaliforniaColleges.edu?

**CaliforniaColleges.edu is the state of California's official college and career planning platform.**

Benefits of a CaliforniaColleges.edu account include access to free tools to help students with their:



**Career  
Planning**



**College  
Planning**



**Financial  
Aid**



**Progress  
Tracking**

# Career and College Tools



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# Career Exploration & College Planning Tools

Through CaliforniaColleges.edu, students can access tools that will help them with their college and career planning. These tools include:

## Career Assessments



## College & Major Search Tools



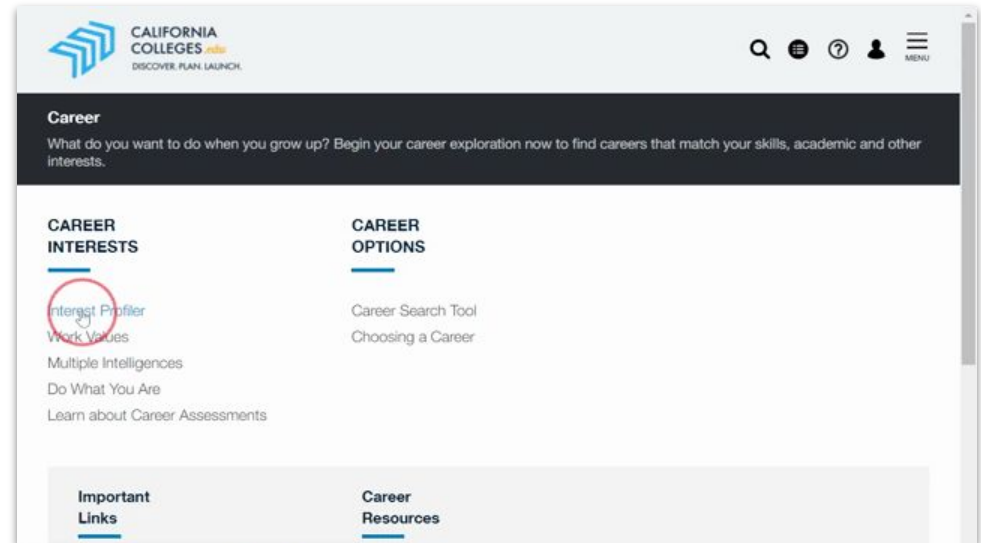


# Career Assessments

The career assessments can help students identify their values, interests, learning styles, and personalities and learn how they can connect to fulfilling careers.

## Our assessments include:

- ▶ **Interest Profiler**
- ▶ Work Values
- ▶ **Learning & Productivity**
- ▶ Intelligences
- ▶ Personality
- ▶ Skills





# Interest Profiler

**The Interest Profiler helps students discover how their interests connect to different careers as well as discover their strengths, preferences, and areas they can focus on as they work towards their goals.**

- ▶ The Interest Profiler asks questions about how much students like or dislike different work activities.
- ▶ The profiler then provides students with a list of careers that match the activities they like and will show students a list of careers they can research.





# Learning and Productivity Assessment

The Learning and Productivity assessment asks students questions about how they learn best, then uses their answers to highlight which styles of learning and what kind of learning environments might work best for them.

Learning & Productivity analyzes 16 preferences based on student answers. These preferences are categorized by analyzing student responses in the areas of:

- ▶ Immediate Environment
- ▶ Physical Needs
- ▶ Emotionality
- ▶ Sociological Needs

## See Which Learning Styles WORK BEST FOR YOU



1 Decide how much you agree or disagree with each activity



2 Explore the learning styles that fit you best





# Career Search Tool

The Career Search Tool helps students find the right career path by figuring out what they want to be and what it will take for them to get there.

CaliforniaColleges.edu allows students to:

- ▶ Explore careers that match their interests.
- ▶ Learn what careers involve.
- ▶ See what kind of pay and growth potential jobs offer.
- ▶ Understand what education and skills they will need to pursue their career of choice.

The screenshot shows the 'Career Search Tool' interface. At the top, there is a dark header with the title 'Career Search Tool' and a brief description: 'Explore careers that match your interests. Find careers by using the keyword search or the Industry and Bright Outlook filters. To learn more about our career data, see [College, Major, and Career Data Sources](#).' Below the header, there are three search filters, each with a blue 'Search' button: 1. A text input field containing 'Scientist' with a 'Search' button below it. 2. A dropdown menu labeled 'Select Industry' with a 'Search' button below it. 3. A dropdown menu labeled 'Select Bright Outlook Occupation' with a 'Search' button below it. At the bottom left, it says 'Results 179' and at the bottom right, there is a dark 'Compare' button.

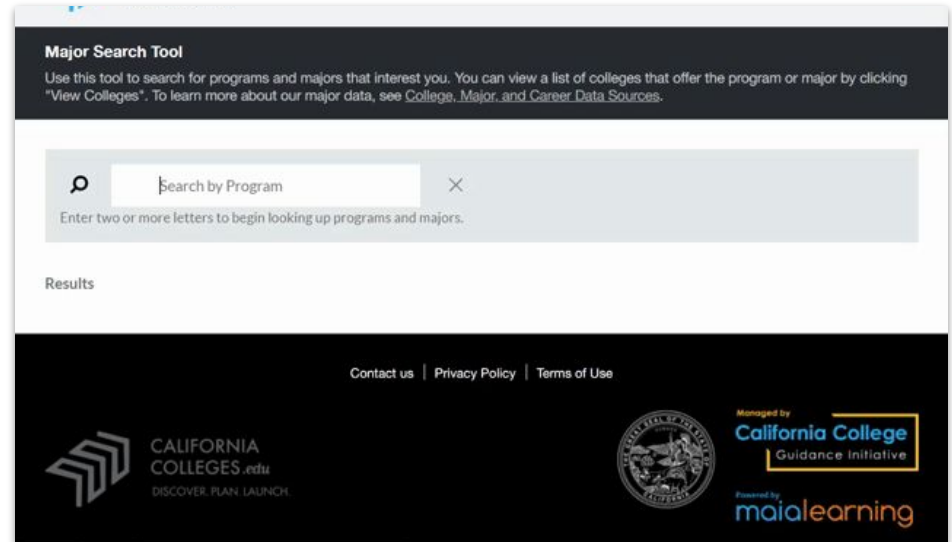


# College and Major Search Tools

The **College and Major Search Tools** allow students to find what majors will help them achieve their career goals and what colleges best meet their needs.

The **Major Search Tool** allows students to discover programs and majors that interest them, learn more about what they involve, and find colleges that offer them.

The **College Search Tool** helps students find the best colleges in California and across the country, based on the factors that matter most to them.





# Filters Meet Student Needs

Search options support students in finding schools based on multiple factors that are important to them.

## Specialty Schools

- ▶ Women's Only
- ▶ Men's Only
- ▶ Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution
- ▶ Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institution
- ▶ Hispanic-Serving Institution
- ▶ Historically Black College or University
- ▶ Tribal College

## Religious Affiliation

- ▶ Select an Affiliation

Type of College ▾

Average Net Price ▾

Type of Environment ▾

Size ▾

Acceptance Rate ▾

**Specialty Schools** ▲

Select a Speciality ▾

Religious Affiliation ▲

Select an Affiliation ▾



# Sorting Feature

Students can sort the snapshot data alphabetically or numerically.

350 Colleges

<b>ABC Adult School</b> Cerritos, California - Suburban	195 Small	Public 2-year		
<b>Academy for Jewish Religion-California</b> Los Angeles, California - City	-- --	Private 4-year		
<b>Academy of Chinese Culture and Health Sciences</b> Oakland, California - City	-- --	Private 4-year	\$ -- Avg. Net Price	100% Accept. Rate

Sort by : Name

- Name
- City
- Size
- Cost
- Accept. Rate



## My Journal allows students to reflect about their past, make connections to the present, and plan for their future.

Students can use the My Journal Tool to examine where they have been, where they are, and where they want to be in their college and career journey.

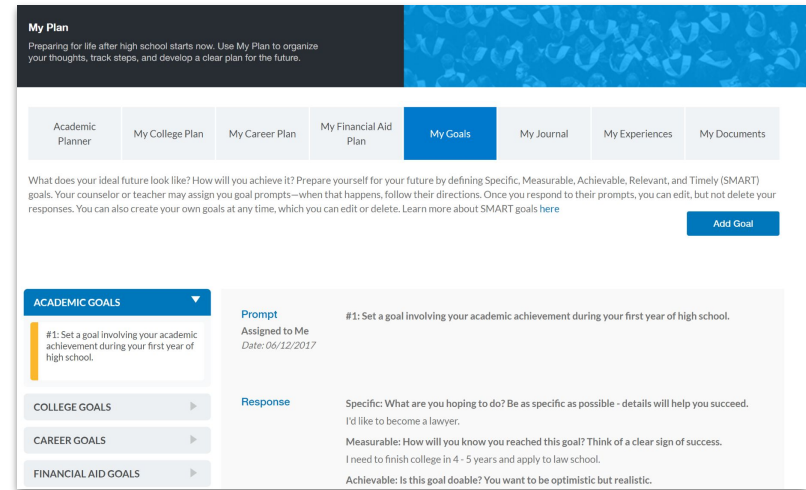
- ▶ To access the tool, students can sign into their account, hover over My Plan in the top menu, then click on **My Journal**.

The screenshot shows the 'My Plan' section of a student dashboard. At the top, there is a navigation menu with options: Academic Planner, My College Plan, My Career Plan, My Financial Aid Plan, My Goals, My Journal (highlighted in blue), My Experiences, and My Documents. Below the menu, a blue button labeled 'Add Journal' is visible. The main content area displays a list of journal entries under the heading 'ACADEMIC JOURNAL'. The first entry is titled '#5: What do you think you need to succeed in the courses you have selected? Who are the people in your life that can help you succeed?' and is assigned to the user on 10/06/2017. A blue button labeled 'Add Response' is positioned to the right of this entry. Other entries are partially visible, including '#4: What was different about taking the Mindset Quiz the second time? Was your score different or the same? Why do you think that is?' and '#10: Which resources are you most...'

**My Goals helps keep students on track by allowing students to identify, set, and monitor their academic, college, and career goals.**

My Goals focuses on defining goals that are specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and timely, often referred to as “SMART goals.”

- ▶ To access the tool, hover over My Plan in the top menu, then click on **My Goals**.



The screenshot shows the 'My Plan' section of a web application. At the top, there is a navigation menu with options: Academic Planner, My College Plan, My Career Plan, My Financial Aid Plan, My Goals (highlighted in blue), My Journal, My Experiences, and My Documents. Below the menu, a text prompt asks the user to define SMART goals. A blue 'Add Goal' button is visible. The main content area shows a dropdown menu for 'ACADEMIC GOALS' with a selected goal: '#1: Set a goal involving your academic achievement during your first year of high school.' The goal is assigned to the user and dated 06/12/2017. Below the goal, there are sections for 'COLLEGE GOALS', 'CAREER GOALS', and 'FINANCIAL AID GOALS'. The 'Response' section provides specific, measurable, and achievable details for the goal.



## Platform Demonstration

Experience CaliforniaColleges.edu platform functionalities from the student perspective like you saw in the demonstration.

### Demo Account



### 8th Grade Account

**User Name:** [8f@demo.edu](mailto:8f@demo.edu)

**Password:** Pass12345

# Educator Tools



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# Ways to Use CaliforniaColleges.edu

Ultimately, there are many ways to use CaliforniaColleges.edu – whether it’s for improving student success outcomes or making it easier for educators to target interventions where they are needed most.



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**College and  
Financial  
Aid  
Applications**



**Data and  
Reporting  
Tools**



**Student  
Account  
Management**



**Data  
Alignment**



# Tools for Educators

Educators in Partner Districts can run reports to monitor student progress on their activities on CaliforniaColleges.edu.

**Manage Reports**  
Track your student's college and career readiness by running reports.

Quickly and easily obtain the aggregate data you need to better support your students on their path to being college and career ready. Select a report, choose your filters, and then, run report. View report summary and drill down on individual links with the summary for more details. Drill down even further, if you choose, by clicking on individual student names in the Student List tab and view their My Plans.

Select Report: Academic Select Report Type Have a report question? Contact Us

Select Filters: Select Grade Select Course Select Section Run Report Reset Filters

Select Gender Select Ethnicity Select Special Population

Select Race Start Date: MM/DD/YYYY End Date: MM/DD/YYYY

Report: None  
Filters Selected: Grade: All. Course: All. Section: All. Gender: All. Ethnicity: All. Special Population: All. Race: All

Actions: [Print](#) [Download XLSX](#) [Download CSV](#)





# Curriculum and Lesson Plans

**Each grade-level activity has an associated lesson plan that educators can use during instructional time and counseling interventions.**

**Our lessons are:**

- Trackable.
- Sequential but flexible.
- Aligned to standards.



## What Do I Like?: Interest Profiler (6.2)

Goal: Students will evaluate their personal interests and explore matching career options.

### Lesson Time Options

This lesson requires one 45-60 minute class period.

### Student Materials

This lesson plan is part of the default **Activities by Grade Level**. The corresponding student My Task for this lesson is called **What Do I Like?** For more information, click on **How do students download and upload documents to CaliforniaColleges.edu?** under **Assignments** in [Educator Help](#).

### In This Packet

This packet includes everything you need to complete the lesson.

- Student Worksheet
- Educator Guide
- Appendix: Learning Extension

### Standards

The literacy skills of Common Core can be broken down into sections – reading, writing, and speaking and listening (language skills are outside of the focus of CaliforniaColleges.edu). In the lesson, students will practice the following skills:

Common Core Skill	Practiced in this Lesson
Reading for Information	CCR – Reading 4, 7; Reading Information – 4, 7
Narrative Writing	CCR-Writing 3; Writing 3



# Scope and Sequence

	School Matters (Academic)	You Matter (Social Emotional)	Your Future Matters (Career Exploration)
Grade 6	<b>Homework/Organization skills (B-LS 3)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Importance of grades</li> <li>Time Management</li> <li>Organization skills</li> <li>Stress</li> </ul> (Stress)	<b>Online Safety/Etiquette (B-SMS 9)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Digital Citizenship</li> <li>Communicating with others (socially, academically)</li> <li>Appropriate social media usage</li> <li>Stress/Consent</li> </ul> (Consent, Stress)	<b>Interest Awareness (B-LS 10) &amp; (M 3)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Californiacolleges.edu: Interest Profiler</a></li> <li>Intro to RIASEC</li> </ul>
Grade 7	<b>Study Skills (B-LS 3)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Californiacolleges.edu: Learning &amp; Productivity</a></li> <li>Study skills/time management</li> <li>Stress</li> </ul> (Stress)	<b>Interacting with Teachers, Parents &amp; Peers (B-SS 3)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bullying</li> <li>Advocacy</li> <li>Understanding/accessing resources</li> <li>Consent/Stress</li> </ul> (Consent, Stress)	<b>Exploring Post-Secondary (B-LS 7) &amp; (B-SMS 6)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HS Grad Requirements</li> <li>A-G</li> <li>Post-Secondary options (<a href="#">CC: College Search Tool</a>)</li> <li>Majors (<a href="#">CC: Major Search Tool</a>)</li> </ul>
Grade 8	<b>Academic and Post Secondary Options (B-LS 7) &amp; (M 4)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AERIES: Academic Planner</li> <li>HS Grad Requirements</li> <li>Credits</li> <li>Communicating with Teachers</li> </ul> (Stress)	<b>Healthy Relationships (B-SS 2)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">EverFi: Understanding Mental Wellness</a> (What is Mental Health?, What is Anxiety? Coping strategies, Supporting Mental Health, Offering Support)</li> </ul> (Consent, Stress)	<b>Identifying my Strengths (B-LS 5) &amp; (M 5)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="#">Californiacareerzone.org: Making Money Choices</a></li> </ul>

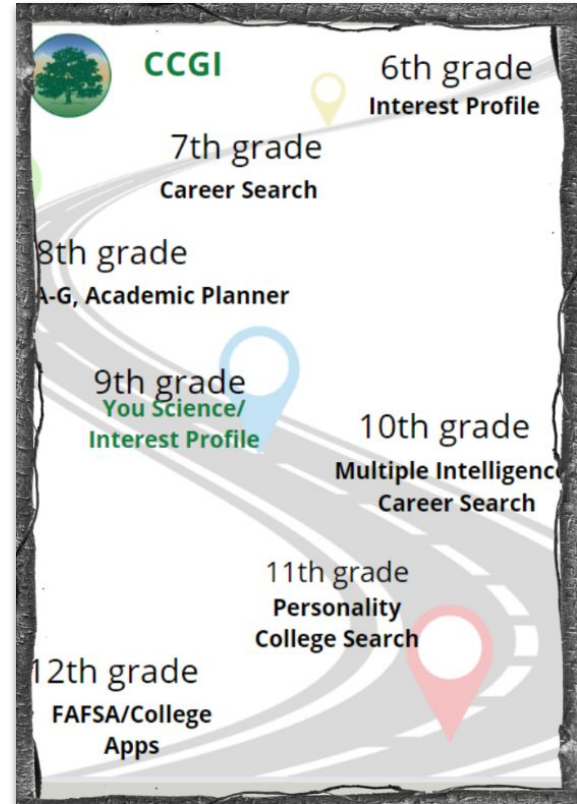
## Sample Scope and Sequence - Santa Clara USD



# Scope and Sequence

## The What: Lessons in a core class such as Language Arts or Social Studies

- ▶ 6th- Learning About Self
  - Interest Profiler
  - Saved Careers
- ▶ 7th- Career Exploration
  - Career Search
  - Research
- ▶ 8th- Getting Ready for High School





# Schoolwide College & Career Ready

- ▶ **English:**
  - ▶ 9-11: [Academic Planner](#)
  - ▶ 12: Launch MVC Application
- ▶ **Math:**
  - ▶ 9-12: [College Research Presentation](#)
  - ▶ 9-12: [College Research Worksheets](#)
- ▶ **Social Science:**
  - ▶ 10 – [Multiple Intelligences](#) and [Worksheet](#)
  - ▶ 11 – [Do What You Are](#) and [Worksheet](#)
  - ▶ 12 – Launch FAFSA (Counselors Facilitate)
- ▶ **Science:**
  - ▶ 9-12: [Career Research](#)
  - ▶ 9-12: [Career Research Worksheets](#)
- ▶ **World Language/Business/VAPA/Other:**
  - ▶ 9-12: [Journal Entries](#)
  - ▶ 9-12: [CCGI Notes Worksheet](#)

## CCGI Launch Day

- October 1<sup>st</sup>
- All students participate in CCGI Activities
- Lesson Plans, Presentations, and Worksheets provided to teachers
- Each department covers a different topic
  - Students receive 4-5 different lessons throughout the day
  - All centered on College and Career Readiness

Information Technology

Health and Science

Human Resources

Business Management

# Career Cluster Research

Finance

Architecture and  
Construction

Manufacturing

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics



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# Questions?



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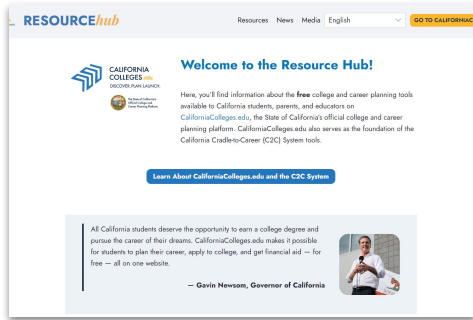


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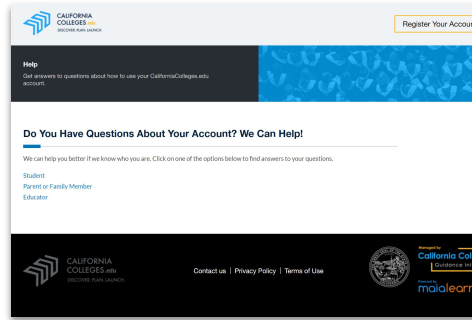
# Help and Contact Us

We're here to help! Check out the resources below to learn more about CaliforniaColleges.edu and get the help you need.



## Resource Hub

Visit our *Resource Hub* to learn more about our tools and how to get an account on CaliforniaColleges.edu.



## Help

Visit our *Help* section to view answers to frequently asked questions.



## Contact Us

Email our dedicated *User Support Team* for any questions you may have about CaliforniaColleges.edu.



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# Resources - Exit Survey

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