



YOUTH FUTURES

Youth Futures: College and Careers Within Reach is a program in which caring adults and near-peer mentors inspire youth to pursue pathways; expose them to a variety of pathways; assist in accessibility to pathways; and provide opportunities to be future-ready. Facilitators use Youth Futures curriculum that includes activities in 5 general categories:

- Self-Awareness
- Financial Literacy
- College and Career Preparation
- Exploring Pathways
- Durable (life) Skills

The overall mission of Youth Futures: College and Careers Within Reach is to help youth identify and aspire to reach personal postsecondary goals based on their strengths and values and to expand accessibility to the paths leading to such goals.

GRADES: 6-12

OBJECTIVES:

- Youth will identify their unique strengths and values and expand their awareness of college and career opportunities.
- Youth will meaningfully connect with caring and relatable mentors.
- Youth will create personal future college and career goals.
- Youth will be equipped with intention, competence, tools, skills, and confidence to pursue their goals.

TIMELINE/LENGTH OF PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

Average of 45 minutes per lesson ranging from one-shot school enrichment lessons to weekly full year club program.

GENERAL SUPPLIES:

Printed worksheets and materials provided. Internet access enhances program.


EVALUATION DESCRIPTION:

Survey measures college and career aspirations and goals, intentional self-regulation, goal-setting, well-being, self-concept, and self-efficacy among others.

MISSOURI LEARNING STANDARDS COVERED:

- **ELA** - 9,10.SL.2.B.
- **Guidance & Counseling** - 08.AD.6.A., 09.AD.6.A., 10.AD.5.A., 11.CD7.B.a., 11.CD7.B.a., 9.PS.3.C.a, 11.CD.9.B.,
- **Personal Finance** - PF.I.1.A.,

COST: Free

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