

Choosing a Career



You don't have to decide now where you want to work and what you want to do, but you can start exploring your interests.

You can take these actions now to help you when it is time to decide:

- Keep your options open by getting the best grades you can.
- Explore your interests.
- Pay attention to what you like to do.
- Shadow someone who has a job you think you'd like.
- Participate in an after-school program such as sports, art, music, drama or dance.
- Volunteer for community service a few hours a week.
- Ask questions.

If you want to go to college, you need to start taking the right classes as a freshman. Ask a teacher you like or a guidance counselor about careers. Even the most general plans pay off.



One thing is certain: it's not too early to start learning about yourself. The more you know about yourself, the easier it will be to decide on a career.