### Career Advising Plan

#### Grades 6 - 12

The following activities are included in the Jackson Center Career Advising process.

#### Our District will:

- 1. Provide students with access to purposeful career exploration activities, such as:
  - a. Career speakers/presentation by area professionals;
  - b. Job shadows with expectations for students to identify linkages to their own learning and the workplace;
  - c. Opportunities for work study to gain work experience and workplace skills;
  - d. Community service and service learning where students have an opportunity to lead, organize and facilitate meaningful projects;
  - e. Opportunities to attend college and career fairs to begin evaluating options and college visits to inform decisions and meet with admissions and financial aid advisors.
  - f. Field trips to area businesses that represent in-demand career fields.
- 2. Advise students on options to help finance their postsecondary education (grants, loans, scholarships).
- 3. Provide resources needed and aide in applying to college, military and/or work and other supports necessary for their plans after high school.
- 4. Provide students with resources for test prep (PLAN/ACT, PSAT/SAT, Compass, ASVAB, etc.).
- 5. Provide career assessments and results to help students realize their learning styles, career interests, then help them with linking them between learning the future career options.
- 6. Provide students with the opportunities to learn about course options and programs offered where they can earn work experience, credentials/certificates, or college credit.
- 7. Embed career strategies across curricular areas so students can continue to explore and plan various careers options.
- 8. Assist students with compilation of their career portfolio that includes documentation collected from  $6^{\rm th}-12^{\rm th}$  grade, including but not limited to: career assessments and results, career research papers, career narratives, resumes, etc.
- 9. Provide access to services that aide in gaining competitive employment.

#### Resources:

## OhioMeansJobs K-12

Assessment and training center, online practice tests and test prep resources. Career Cluster Inventory, career interest survey, Career Profile.

# http://www.educationplanner.org/students/self-assessments/index.shtml

Learning style survey and study habit survey

### Http://www.vocopher.com/

Career development assessment and survey tools

## http://www.asvabprogram.com/

ASVAB information for teachers and counselors

# www.act.org

ACT test prep, registration materials, test dates, teacher aide material

# www.collegeboard.org

PSAT/SAT test prep, registration materials, etc.

## http://education.ohio.gov/

Ohio Department of Education - College and Career Planning resources

# www.FAFSA.gov

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

## Tuning In To My Future: A Career Guidance Program

Workbook that helps in identifying strengths that leads to career options and ultimately career goals.