

# Career Awareness



# CAREER EXPLORATION

It is difficult for students to determine what their long-range goals should be before they know what their interests are.

- Most teenagers are only familiar with the jobs they see every day. (Family members' jobs, fast food, teacher, etc.)
- Career exploration can open the door to a world of careers and options they've never considered.
- All 8<sup>th</sup> graders should be completing career exploration and assessment as part of their school curriculum.

# SD MYLIFE

[HTTPS://SDMYLIFE.COM/](https://sdmylife.com/)

- ▶ Career Exploration
- ▶ Aptitude
- ▶ Planning
- ▶ Skills Lab
- ▶ World of Work articles
- ▶ Used in most South Dakota schools















## Matchmaker

What careers match your interests?



Start the quiz!

## Select the career clusters that interest you:

	Architecture & Construction		Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources		Arts, A/V Technology & Communications
	Education & Training		Finance		Government & Public Administration
	Human Services		Hospitality & Tourism		Information Technology
	Manufacturing		Marketing		Science, Technology, Engineering & Math

## Vocational Rehabilitation Services:

- Pre-Employment Transition Skills (Pre-ETS)
  - Begins as early as age 14
  - Job exploration counseling
  - Unpaid work-based experiences
  - Post-secondary education counseling
  - Workplace readiness training
  - Instruction in self-advocacy

**Talk to your local VR Counselor**



# EVEN MORE CAREER EXPLORATION!

O\*NET OnLine (onetonline.org)

- Find Occupations
- Job Accommodations
- O\*NET Interest Profiler

<https://www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip>

TSLP.org/employment

- Online resources in employment
- Let's Talk Work events

Transition Resources Handbook:

<https://dhs.sd.gov/content/dam/digital/united-states/south-dakota/sdo/pdf/division-of-rehabilitation-services/Information%20-%20Transition%20Resources%20booklet.pdf>

What career exploration tools are you using in your classroom?

# OTHER CAREER AND LIFE SKILLS ASSESSMENTS

- ▶ STEM Careers Coalition Career Finder
  - <https://app.discoveryeducation.com/static/interactives/cep/scc/career-finder/#/>
- ▶ Career Girls Quiz
  - <https://www.careergirls.org/explore-careers/career-quiz/>
- ▶ Big Future Career Quiz
  - <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/career-search/career-quiz>
- ▶ Employability/Life Skills Assessment (ELSA)
  - <https://ocali.org/storage/ocali-ims-sites/ocali-ims-ocali/documents/ELSA-For-Professionals-01052021.pdf>
- ▶ Life Skills Inventory Independent Living Assessment Tool
  - [https://www.elmbrookschoools.org/uploaded/Documents/District\\_Documents/Transition\\_Resources/Life\\_Skills\\_Inventory.pdf](https://www.elmbrookschoools.org/uploaded/Documents/District_Documents/Transition_Resources/Life_Skills_Inventory.pdf)