

HELPING KIDS BECOME CAREER-READY

There are many ways parents can help children become career-ready:



GIVE THEM RESPONSIBILITIES. Completing chores around the house is a valuable way for kids to learn responsibility. Earning their own money teaches them the value of a dollar and how to budget.



DISCUSS WHAT BRINGS THEM JOY. Your child has to better understand what makes them happy to understand what type of job they should plan for in the future.



TALK ABOUT CAREER ASPIRATIONS. Speak to your children about what they love and may want to do when they finish school. Discuss the different career paths of people you know to get them thinking more deeply about their own career path.



RESEARCH CAREERS. Encourage your child to find out about different career paths and research jobs of interest using the internet or by speaking with professionals working in areas that interest your child. Early interest in a specific career can help with class selection and focus.



ALWAYS BE ON THE LOOKOUT. When out with your child make sure to point out all the different careers you encounter in a day. Maybe you will discover jobs your child has never even thought of as a career path.



ATTEND CAREER FAIRS. Schools and colleges often hold career fairs to showcase potential jobs to students. These can introduce a whole new world of opportunity to your child.



DON'T PUSH YOUR DREAMS. It's easy to push your child into a specific career based on your path or where you feel they will be successful. Remember it is about their goals and what best suits their personality.