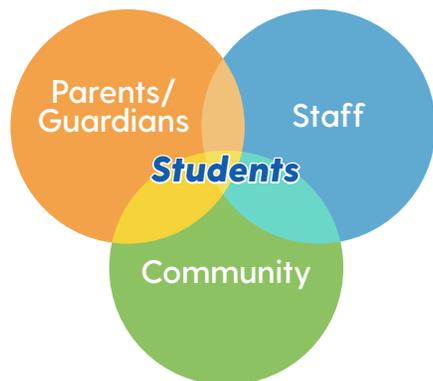




Beginning in the fall of 2017, all students in the Eau Claire Area School District in 6th-12th grade will be engaged in creating a personalized Academic and Career Plan.

Academic and Career Planning (ACP) is a student-driven, adult supported, process in which students learn how their unique strengths and interests align to a wide variety of future opportunities.

With the guidance and support of parents, staff, and the community each student will create a personal plan for goal attainment that provides flexibility based on individual experiences. This plan will help to ensure students are college and career ready upon graduation.



What is My Role?

Students:

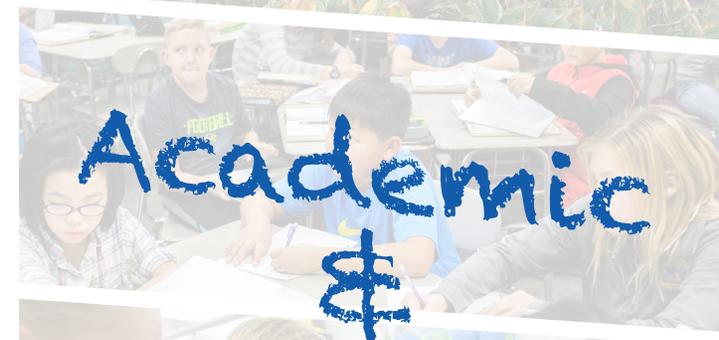
- Begin, revise, and monitor your Academic and Career Plan
- Stay engaged in your learning
- Keep an open mind and explore options
- Ask questions
- Celebrate successes in and out of school

Parents/Guardians:

- Monitor your child's progress
- Encourage your child to do his/her best
- Provide time and space to have meaningful conversations with your child about academic and career planning
- Communicate with School Staff

School Staff:

- Provide an aligned and rigorous curriculum
- Mentor and advise students
- Provide opportunities to learn, practice, and explore
- Hold students to high expectations



Academic
&
Career
Planning



Need more Information?

Connect with:

- Your child's counselor
- Student Services 715.852.3045
www.ecasd.us/District/Departments/Teaching-and-Learning/Payroll
- Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
website <https://dpi.wi.gov/acp>

**Preparing All Students for
Post-Secondary Success**

4 Stages to Successful Academic and Career Planning (ACP)

1. KNOW *Who am I?*

Explore! Get to know your interests, skills, and strengths.

2. EXPLORE *Where do I want to go?*

Explore career pathways and education opportunities.

4. GO! *Is my plan working?*

Revise the plan as needed.

3. PLAN *How do I get there?*

Set your route! Set goals, choose courses, join clubs and activities, obtain financing, fill out applications, write resumes

AWARENESS

Elementary Students will...

- Learn about the world of work through K-5 classroom career lessons
- Participate in career presentations
- Explore career opportunities through self-assessments
- Learn to work in collaborative teams
- Develop problem solving, critical thinking, and communication skills
- Practice conflict resolution skills

EXPOSURE

Middle School Students will...

- Begin an Academic and Career Plan
- Explore programs of study
- Complete skill and interest inventories
- Develop awareness of how course selections align with potential career interests
- Understand graduation requirements
- Learn how to use school resources to update Academic and Career Plans
- Apply time and task management skills
- Use technology to manage career information that inspires educational achievement

PREPARATION

High School Students will...

- Continue working on Academic and Career Plans
- Maintain rigorous academic course work
- Explore and practice essential career skills
- Participate in post-secondary experiences such as: *Advanced Placement courses, Project Lead the Way, Transcribed Credit, Youth Options, Youth Apprenticeship*
- Gain first-hand knowledge from career professionals
- Learn about the job market to make informed career and post-secondary decisions