

How Can I Use the Career Clusters?

District 211 has aligned its curriculum so that for each Career Cluster there will be courses that will enable students to explore and learn more about a particular Career Cluster. Students are encouraged to look at their identified Career Clusters and courses that are aligned to those clusters when choosing elective course offerings.

How Do I Determine My Student's Career Cluster?

Students participated in a career interest inventory to help identify their top two potential Career Clusters. The interest inventory results are included with your test results.

What if my Student's Identified Career Clusters are Not Attractive to my Student?

Students will continue to change their minds about their likes and dislikes, career aspirations and college major throughout their educational career. Students can explore other Career Clusters by taking courses that align to that cluster. Students are also encouraged to take the career interest inventory multiple times throughout their high school career to account for their changing interests.

Where Can I Find More Information About Career Clusters?

More information can be found in the D211 Curriculum Guide. The curriculum guide can be accessed at:

http://adc.d211.org/pdf/curriculum_guide.pdf

Additional information can also be accessed from the College Majors and Career Clusters website at <http://d211careercluster.org/>. This website allows students and parents to explore the career clusters and specific D211 course information.

How Do I Access My Student's Interest Inventory?

The Matchmaker Interest Inventory can be found on the Career Cruising website: www.careercruising.com

Each student had a D211 account set up using the following parameters:

Username: d211-(last name)(4digits with D211 email).

Password: 000(D211 Student ID)

Example

Username: d211-smith1234

Password: 000867530

This information is also included in your student's test results packet.

Once in Career Cruising click on *Explore My Interests* to locate the Matchmaker Inventory. You can access your student's results as well as investigate career options.



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What are the Career Clusters?

Each career and technical education class falls into one of the 16 identified Career Clusters. A Career Cluster is a group of jobs and industries that are related by skills or products. Career Clusters were developed as a way to assist students with career planning.

Within each cluster there are pathways that correspond to a collection of courses which can provide a student with skills that may be useful as they investigate their career options.



If you require assistance while visiting a District 211 school, please contact the principal's office. For individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, please access the following TTD/TTY telephone number: (847) 755-6654.

16 Career Clusters

Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources

The Production, processing, marketing, distribution, financing and development of agricultural commodities and resources including food, fiber, wood products, natural resources, horticulture and other plant and animal products/resources.



Architecture & Construction

Careers in designing, planning, managing, building and maintaining the environment.



Arts, A/V Technology & Communications

Designing, producing, exhibiting, performing writing and publishing multimedia content including visual and performing arts and design, journalism and entertainment services.



Business Management & Administration

Careers in planning, organization, directing and evaluating business functions essential to efficient and productive business operations.



Education & Training

Planning, managing and providing education and training services, and related learning support services.



Finance

Planning, services for financial and investment planning, banking, insurance, and business financial management.



Government & Public Administration

Planning and performing government functions at the local, state and federal levels, including governance, national security, foreign service, planning, revenue and taxation, and regulations.



Health Science

Planning, managing and providing therapeutic services, diagnostic services, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development.



Hospitality & Tourism

Hospitality & Tourism encompasses the management, marketing and operations of restaurants and other food services, lodging, attractions, recreation events and travel related services.



Human Services

Preparing individuals for employment in career pathways that relate to families and human needs such as counseling and mental health services, family and community services, persona care, and consumer services.



Information Technology

Building linkages in IT occupations for entry level, technical, and professional careers related to the design, development, support and management of hardware, software, multimedia and systems integration.



Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security

Planning, managing and providing legal, public safety, protective services and homeland security, including professional and technical support services.



Manufacturing

Planning, managing, and performing the processing of materials into intermediate or final products and related professional and technical support activities such as production planning and control, maintenance and manufacturing/process engineering.



Marketing

Planning, managing and performing marketing activities to reach organizational objectives.



Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics

Planning, managing and providing scientific research and professional and technical services including laboratory and testing services, and research and development services.



Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

Planning, management, and movement of people, materials, and goods by road, pipeline, air, rail, and water and related professional and technical support services such as transportation infrastructure planning and management, logistics services, mobile equipment and facility maintenance.

