



Grades
6-8
Middle School

EDUCATOR GUIDE

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Worksheets
inside!

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Discover
your path.

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Discover
your future.

Welcome to Learn More Indiana's Middle School Educator Guide!

Learn More Indiana (LMI) is excited to present the educator guide for middle schools for the 2024-2025 school year. We hope you and your students find these career and college-focused worksheets enjoyable. These resources are perfect to use during the Indiana College GO! campaign on **September 23-27, 2024**. But you can still encourage your students to explore post-high school opportunities throughout the year. We understand that high school and beyond may seem distant, but it's never too early for students to start considering their future. Please make copies of the following pages and share them with your students! There are various activities suitable for different age groups, so feel free to adjust them to best fit your students.

Worksheet Breakdown:

Discover Your Path

Have students take time to think about careers they are interested in and research them!

University Webpage Scavenger Hunt

Encourage students to think of some universities they are interested in and take a deep dive on their websites!

Goal Setting

Inform students about SMART goals! Have the class think about three long-term goals that they have and then write how they will reach them.

Interview a Professional

Support students in talking to a trusted adult in their life and talking about their professional path. After students fill out the worksheet have them write a report or present about their person.

Create the Perfect College

Let students create and write about their perfect college! Encourage them to find colleges that correlate with what they are looking for.

Networking Bingo

Have the students talk to their classmates to fill in their bingo sheet! The students should find other individuals who have the same answers as them. Talk about the importance of growing your network and uncovering similarities with the people in your daily life!

What's Next?

Have the students answer the questions and think about what might be their next steps after middle school.

Indiana College GO! Word Search

Encourage students to take time to learn and study the college vocabulary words used in the word search.

Notes Page

Print this page and give to students to write notes about their possible college or career path. This page is perfect for students to have as they work through the other activities!

ADDITIONAL LEARN MORE INDIANA RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES

School Finder Tool:

Students can explore university options in Indiana and compare them. Visit: **finder.**

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Magazines: Students can complete interactive activities to aid them in discovering what their future holds. Visit: **www.lmimagazines.org/**

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Resource Hub: Learn More Indiana's Resource Hub is full of helpful and fun classroom activities!

Visit: **learnmoreindiana.org/resource-hub/materials/**

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Guide to College: This resource breaks down Indiana universities and institutions for an easy and accessible tool for students. Check it out in the LMI Resource Hub!



Discover your Path!

Name: _____

Research three career paths you are interested in. Look at what training and education is needed, the average salary, and an overall job description of the profession. Once completed, write a paragraph about which career path you would prefer out of the three.

	Career #1	Career #2	Career #3
What education is needed for this position?			
What is the average salary?			
What important skills should I have?			
What is the work environment?			
What are some related careers?			
What high school courses can I take to prepare myself for this career?			
How many people have this job?			
Rank in order of your preference. (1 being your favorite).			

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Name: _____

University Webpage Scavenger Hunt

Think about three universities you are interested in. Take time to look at their webpage and answer the questions below.

	University #1	University #2	University #3
Where is the campus located?			
What majors/minors do they offer that you are interested in?			
What is the average cost of attendance?			
What is the cost of room and board?			
What is one scholarship the school offers?			
What extracurriculars do they offer that you are interested in?			
What is the school's career placement rate?			
Rank in order of your preference. (1 being your favorite).			



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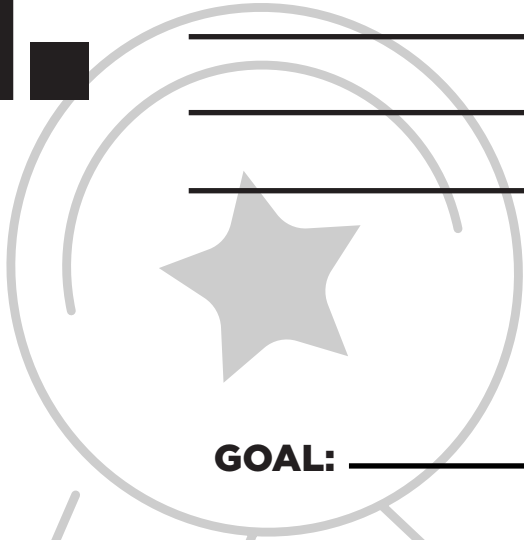
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Goal Setting

Think of three long-term goals that will help you succeed and prepare you for discovering your future beyond high school! After you think about your goals, write some ways you are going to keep yourself accountable or how you will work on achieving these goals.

1.

GOAL: _____



GOAL: _____

2.

GOAL: _____

3.



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Name: _____

Interview a Professional!

Talk to an adult in your life with a career that interests you! This can be a coach, teacher, friend, family member, neighbor, or anyone else important in your life. Talk to them about their experiences and discover what advice they might have for you.

Who I interviewed:

Their job title and what company they work for:

What education or certifications they have: (Add where they went to college if applicable.)

What is their favorite part of their job:

What they wanted to be when they were younger:

What does “a day in the life” look like:

Who helped them get to where they are:

What advice they have for deciding on a career:



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Create the perfect college!

Think about what your perfect college would look like! Answer the questions below and write a paragraph on why you think you would succeed in the environment you mentioned.

My perfect college would be located in:

At my perfect college I would study:

The class size at my perfect college would be/the campus population at my perfect college would be:

Some clubs or activities I would get involved in at my perfect college would be:

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Networking BINGO

Name: _____

Work with individuals in your class to fill out the bingo sheet below. Identify individuals who have the same response as you. After you have completed as many squares as possible, answer the question at the bottom.

<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Intended College Major</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Ideal Career</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite Color</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Hometown</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>
<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Biggest Fear</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite Hobby</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite Teacher</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite Food</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>
<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite Subject</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite College</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite Sport</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>	<p>_____</p> <p><i>My Answer</i></p> <p>Favorite Animal</p> <p>_____</p> <p><i>Classmate Name</i></p>

How can networking and getting to know the people you interact with daily help you in your professional career?



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What's Next?

Name: _____

Middle school is the perfect time to start thinking about the path you want to follow next! Answer the questions below and start planning what your future might look like.

What do I enjoy learning about the most and why?

What do I enjoy doing in my free time?

What kind of job do I hope to have in the future?

What am I most excited for after high school?

What is something I hope to accomplish before high school?

What is something I hope to accomplish in my future?

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Name: _____

Indiana College GO! Word Search

E	G	E	L	L	O	C	U	T	T	C	S	L	N
M	I	D	T	E	R	M	T	U	S	E	C	M	O
O	D	E	G	R	E	E	Y	T	S	R	H	S	I
T	M	I	N	O	R	D	I	O	A	T	O	G	T
C	D	O	R	M	U	O	C	R	L	I	L	R	A
L	T	E	S	T	A	O	T	I	C	F	A	A	C
U	A	G	S	R	T	E	B	E	C	I	R	D	I
B	D	T	U	I	T	I	O	N	O	C	S	U	L
P	R	O	F	E	S	S	O	R	U	A	H	A	P
T	D	I	P	L	O	M	A	O	R	T	I	T	P
T	E	X	T	B	O	O	K	L	S	E	P	I	A
C	A	M	P	U	S	S	M	L	E	E	O	O	A
Y	M	O	G	R	A	N	T	E	J	M	A	N	T
R	O	J	A	M	S	T	U	D	E	N	T	R	R

Scholarship
Minor
Class
Enrolled
Study
Professor

Course
Certificate
Graduation
Diploma
Tuition
College

Campus
Application
Midterm
Tutor
Degree
Grant

Dorm
Club
Student
Textbook
Major
Test

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College GO! Notes and Planning Sheet

Notes:

What questions do I have about college or my future career path?

What can I do now to start preparing for the future?

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