**Careers & Conversations Event Alternate Assignment**

CLE 10 Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Big Ideas:*** *A network of family, friends, and community members can support and broaden our career awareness and options. Effective career planning considers both internal and external factors.*

Unfortunately, you were away for the Careers and Conversations Event, so this alternate assignment will try to give you an opportunity to practice the same skills.

You are to speak to **2-3 different** adults who you **do not personally know** in the workforce. It could be a friend of one of your parents with whom you do not have a personal connection, a school staff member you haven’t yet met (ie: Career Counsellor, Youth Worker, Secretary, Custodian, etc.), or you could go to a store and/or business. Following the etiquette guidelines, ask them questions just like we did for our “Careers & Conversations” event preparation. Please do not bring the sheets with you and follow the same protocol as we did here at our school -> you want have a conversation (not interview) with the person to learn about the ins & outs of their job, and once you leave you can write down notes from your conversation. Have a couple questions you want to know about their job in mind before approaching them, otherwise use what is said in the conversation to keep chatting.

***Complete the same Careers & Conversations Response as the students who attended our in-school event.***

***Due Date: Wednesday, November 6th, 2019***

**Etiquette**

* Dress for a first impression. You don’t need to dress formally, but make sure you look put together.
* Maintain open, positive body language throughout the conversation.
* Check that the situation allows for you to have this conversation; you may need to ask them if they are able to talk with you for a few minutes.
* Initiate the conversation by introducing yourself, with good eye contact.
* Make sure you are having a conversation with them – chat! Don’t just have a Q&A, like an interview.
* When you are wrapping up the conversation, thank them.
* Your phone should never be visible.

**Potential Questions**

1. What are you passionate about in your job?
2. What inspired you or brought you to this profession or job?
3. What keeps you motivated in your job?
4. What were the pitfalls or obstacles of getting?
5. Why this profession over another similar profession?
6. What education or training do you need for this role?
7. What appealed to you about this job before you started it?
8. How did you actually get the job?
9. What is the best part of your job and worst part of your job?
10. What did you do before you started this job that helped prepare you?
11. Is the job what you expected?
12. What is part of your job that you didn’t realize you would have to do?
13. What are your typical work hours & days? Regular? Flexible?
14. Do you have to work outside of work hours? How much time do you spend “working outside of work”?
15. Do you think your job could become automated in the future?
16. How do you see your job changing/developing/morphing?
17. Would you recommend this job to my generation?
18. **Why would you recommend that I pursue this career?**

\*Remember you are filling this out AFTER you have exited the conversation appropriately, and never during the conversation!\*

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