

Academic and Career Planning ACP



Kickapoo Area School District

What is ACP?

“Academic and Career Planning, or ACP, is a student driven, adult supported process in which students create and cultivate their own unique and information-based visions for post secondary success, obtained through self-exploration, career exploration, and the development of career management and planning skills.”

Why ACP?

- Chapter PI-26 is the legislation in the State of Wisconsin that requires every school district to provide academic and career planning services to pupils enrolled in grades 6 to 12 in the school district beginning in the 2017–18 school year. This chapter establishes the requirements for education for employment programs. The purpose of education for employment programs is to do all of the following: (a) Prepare elementary and secondary pupils for future employment. (b) Ensure technological literacy; to promote lifelong learning. (c) Promote good citizenship. (d) Promote cooperation among business, industry, labor, postsecondary schools, and public schools. (e) Establish a role for public schools in the economic development of Wisconsin.

What does it look like?

Know, Explore, Plan, Go!

4 stages to successful Academic and Career Planning (ACP)

Who am I?
Get to know your
interests, skills, &
strengths



1

KNOW

GO!
Recalculate as
needed.



4
GO!

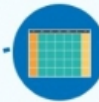
2
EXPLORE

3
PLAN

Where do I
want to go?
Explore career
pathways and
education
opportunities



How do I get there?
Set your route!
Set goals, choose courses,
join clubs & activities,
obtain financing, fill out
applications, write
resumes



Who is involved?

Students, teachers, administrators, parents and the community all have a part in preparing our students to be college and career ready.

Kickapoo staff will be in ongoing training about ACP involvement, Career Cruising and how they can be incorporated into the classroom.

Our Goal

- The goal of the Kickapoo Area School District, in respect to ACP, is to prepare each individual for their next step in life. For some this may be college or technical school and for some it may be apprenticeships or the workforce. Whichever it is, Kickapoo would like to provide them with the best tools for future success.

Kickapoo HS Graduation Requirements

English – 4 credits

Social Studies – 3 credits

Math – 3 credits

Science – 3 credits

Physical Education – 1.5 credits (.5 credits may be granted for participation in athletics)

Careers - .25 credits

Health Education - .50 credits

Electives – 8.75 credits

Total -24 Credits

Career and Technical Dept. Curriculum

- In addition to the core academic classes Kickapoo offers, specific career and technical education is offered in the following areas.
- Agriculture and Natural Resources Education
- Business and Information Technology
- Technology and Engineering

Engaging Parents

- ACP conferences individual / group with all students in grades 6-12
- Academic grades available in Skyward
- State Test Results Data Available
- P/T Conferences once per year or as requested
- ACP Related events – Financial Aid Night, Career Day, College visits, On-Site Career and Educational Speakers

The Job Market in our Area

- Vernon and Richland County Workforce profiles from 2015, generated by the Wisconsin Department of Workforce and Development

Vernon County

- \$35,532 – Per Capita Income 2014
- 2.5% Unemployment Rate
- \$111,000 Average Home Cost

- **Top Employment Industries**
- Educational Services
- Nursing and Residential Care
- Food Service

Richland County

\$37,994 – Per Capita Income 2014

2.4 Unemployment Rate

\$120,000 Average Home Cost

Top Employment industries

- Food Mfg.
- Nursing and Residential Care
- Educational Services

Current Job Market's Impact on Student Preparation

- We have made a concentrated effort to try and help our students find HS employment and training to help them be successful in the workforce. For this reason the Kickapoo Area School District provides students with the opportunity to participate in Youth Apprenticeships, School to work and Dual Credit Options. A CNA course is offered through SWTC for students preparing to go into the nursing profession.

Current Job Market's Impact on Student Preparation

- Students are provided with information and are paired with specific employment opportunities they are interested in. Future utilization of Career Cruising, and yearly opportunities for career exploration and site visits helps students to find a career they would like to pursue after HS.

Community Partners in Education

- The Kickapoo Area School District is engaged in a number of partnerships throughout the area. Specific businesses provide avenues for our students to gain experience in prospective careers. We are continually working to expand this list to give our students more work study and apprenticeship opportunities.

Community Partners in Education

- D&P Enterprises
- CEC – Career Education Cooperative
- careereducationcoop.com (all potential partners)
- Kickapoo Corners
- Kickapoo Quik Stop
- LaFarge Zip Stop
- Lowe Manufacturing
- McDonald's
- Metco

Community Partners in Education

- Nelson Hardwoods
- Richland Patterns
- Sannes Skogdalen
- S&S Cycle
- SWTC
- Sleepy Hollow Auto
- Wal-Mart
- This is not an all inclusive list and we hope that it will continue to grow.

ACP Activities

- Although students will be exposed to career exploration in the elementary school, they will officially begin to develop their ACP in grade 6. The following are grade specific activities that Kickapoo students will participate in to become college and career ready.

6th – 8th Grade ACP Activities

- Career Cruising - <https://www.careercruising.com/>
- Career Clusters
- Budget Planning Simulations
- Intro to UW and Technical School Planning
- Exposure to Apprenticeships
- Interpretation of Career Readiness Materials
- Subject Specific Career Exposure
- Community Service
- STEM Classes / Careers
- Individual / Group ACP meetings

9th – 10th Grade ACP Activities

- Career Cruising - <https://www.careercruising.com/>
- Career Clusters
- Budget Planning Simulations
- Intro to UW and Technical School Planning
- Exposure to Apprenticeships
- Interpretation of Career Readiness Materials
- Subject Specific Career Exposure
- Community Service
- 9 Week Career Class with Guidance Counselor

9th – 10th Grade ACP Activities

- College Visits
- Cooperative Careers Day
- Conservation Careers Day
- Intro to Resumes and Interview Skills
- ACT Aspire test
- STEM Class Exposure and Careers
- Scholarship Process Unit

11th – 12th Grade ACP Activities

- Career Cruising
<https://www.careercruising.com/>
- Career Clusters
- Budget Planning Simulations
- Intro to UW and Technical School Planning
- Exposure to Apprenticeships
- Interpretation of Career Readiness Materials
- Subject Specific Career Visits
- Community Service
- STEM Classes / Careers

11th – 12th Grade ACP Activities

- ACT / WorkKeys test
- ASVAB
- College Visits
- Cooperative Careers Day
- Conservation Careers Day
- Resumes and Interview Skills
- STEM Class Exposure and Careers
- Detailed Scholarship Process
- Job Fair
- Reality Daze

11th – 12th Grade ACP Activities

- Individual Student / Parent Counselor Meetings
- Mock Interviews
- CEC (Career Education Cooperative)
Individual Student / Business Partnerships
- Subject Specific Career Competitions
- ACT Review
- Emphasis on Productive Job Skills

AP/UW/SWTC Course Offerings

- AP Biology
- AP English Language
- AP English Literature
- AP U.S. History
- Transcribed Credit through SWTC for
Applied Math, Accounting, Comp. Applications
- Other AP / Classes Available through BOOST
consortium
- UW Platteville English elective for College Credit

Where Are We Headed?

- This document and ACP will be a continually changing and updated process. As a district our strongest efforts will go into EVERY student to help them be college and career ready.