

Reaching Career Goals through Alternative Routes

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Rationale: *Many students can achieve their career goals by following an alternative educational route. High school students should be exposed to these options and encouraged to create the best Individual Career Action Plan.*

Workshop: *This workshop and activity can be used to present information to students and possibly identify those whom may benefit from alternative options to college.*

PowerPoint Presentation, Lesson Plan, Works Cited & Handouts: www.career.fsu.edu under the Tech Center Link

How practitioners can work with students for Military Options:

- Target all students early- 10th/Sophomore Year via one-on-one meetings or class workshops
- Make sure students are on track with core classes and concepts for ASVAB prep
- Collaborate with JROTC program and connect interested students with local recruiter to their specific branch
- Follow up with ASVAB sign up and score processing
- Refer or provide school programs that keep students healthy and fit
- Don't need to be the "expert," just know where to find the information

How practitioners can work with students with Trade School Options:

- Recognize research shows no significant findings in terms of identifying certain Holland codes to individuals that attend trade schools. The variety of trade schools for students range from Realistic career areas such as Construction to Social career areas such as Social work
- Distinguish specific skill sets or interest in students
- Identify the need for financial assistance a specific accommodation to location
- Identify if student can only attend school for a certain time frame and identify degree options ranging from Certificates to Doctoral level degrees

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