

KENNETT HIGH SCHOOL

GRADUATION PROJECT

Career Path Investigation

Students will investigate and document career possibilities through *Family Connection*, Kennett High School's web-based career exploration program. The components of this investigation will include completion of an interest inventory assessment, called the Career Interest Profiler, as well as an exploration of possible paths of study/training and associated careers. A printout of the results from the Career Interest Profiler is needed to certify completion. The Career Path Investigation Worksheet should also be completed after gaining the necessary information from *Family Connection*. Additional information related to specific careers required for the worksheet can be found within the online Occupational Outlook Handbook (OCO) or the Chronicle Career Library. A printout of the results from the Career Interest Profiler and the Career Path Investigation Worksheet should be placed into your graduation project booklet.

Resources

Website

Family Connection

<http://connection.naviance.com/kennetths>

Occupational Outlook Handbook (OCO)

<http://www.bls.gov/OCO/>

Chronicle Career Library

<http://www.chroniclecareerlibrary.com/>

Directions

1. Go to Family Connection, at <http://connection.naviance.com/kennetths>, if you are a registered user, enter your email address and password and log-in. If you have not yet registered and do not have your registration code, please contact your school counselor.
2. Click on the **Careers** tab, then click on the link for the **Career Interest Profiler**.
3. Read the **Introduction** then click on **Start Profiler** and complete the assessment.
4. Once the assessment is complete, view your results and read the 'Definitions' of your strongest interest categories which are highlighted in green. Print this page and place it in your graduation project booklet.
5. Click on the link '**View Matching Occupation List**' to view the occupations that match with your results from the Career Interest Profiler. The **bolded careers** are your best matches. The careers are broken out by job zone, from "Little or No Preparation" to

"Extensive Preparation." Click the question marks to learn more about the job zones.

6. Click on the occupation name to view the profile for that specific career. After exploring many of the different career profiles on your list, start to answer the questions on the **Career Path Investigation Worksheet**.
7. Additional career information can be found within the OCO or Chronicle Career Library to help answer the worksheet questions. Links to both sites can be found on the 'home' page of Family Connection.

You can find occupations on the OCO website by looking at the A-Z index or entering the career name in the search box. Click on the occupation name to view more detailed information related to that career.

Occupations within the Chronicle Career Library are listed in the Alphabetical List. Click on the desired occupation and then click on 'view the **Occupational Brief**' to see more information for that career.

8. Place your completed Career Path Investigation Worksheet in your Graduation Project Booklet.

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Career Path Investigation Worksheet

1. What are your results from the Career Interest Profiler? (e.g. RAE-Realistic, Artistic, Social)

2. Do you believe your results match you well? Please explain.

3. List three occupations that you find most appealing. Please explain why.

Occupation 1 _____

Occupation 2 _____

Occupation 3 _____

3. Please indicate the preferred occupation you researched in more depth _____ and answer the following questions for that career.

A. What are the educational requirements for this occupation? If there are additional training or certification requirements, please explain.

B. Please explain the wage and salary information for this occupation?

C. What is the expected job outlook or forecast for this occupation?

D. What are some of the tasks and skills involved with this occupation?

E. What is the typical work environment for this occupation?
