Effective Strategies for Successful Freshman Transition: A Career Choices Workshop

Learn how you can:

• Reduce Dropout Rates
• Increase Academic Achievement
• Increase Post-Secondary Matriculation

A fast-paced, hands-on workshop designed for classroom teachers, Smaller Learning Community coordinators and educators, CATE instructors and administrators searching for a proven dropout prevention course.

You’ll discover:

✔ Proven methods for initiating a freshman transition course in the 8th or 9th grade
✔ Strategies for improving reading, writing and math by teaching skills in a real-world context
✔ Techniques and tools for integrating academics, technology and career and life planning.
✔ How to engage students in motivational, relevant academics

You’ll leave with the tools to:

✔ Dramatically change students' attitudes about learning and education
✔ Help your students create a 10-year career-inclusive educational plan

Register today!
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Career Choices: used in 4,300 schools nationwide

The Career Choices curriculum is the recipient of a Promising Intervention award by the U.S. Department of Education and Best Practices citation by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Program

Not just theory, but...

Practical & Proven Solutions

Workshops that present new and progressive theories are great. But they’re not much use if you leave without understanding how to implement them in your classroom or school. This Career Choices workshop is full of practical ideas and proven activities from experienced educators. Infused with interactive learning techniques and discussion, it will provide the information needed to effectively plan for implementation of this award-winning curriculum.

You’ll leave with the tools to be successful!

Along with myriad strategies and activity ideas, you’ll receive a set of the nationally-acclaimed Career Choices curriculum. Providing a comprehensive, step-by-step course with exemplary scope and sequence, Career Choices helps students understand why academics are relevant. Career Choices also meets the NEW Course Standards for Freshman Transition Classes from George Washington University’s Freshman Transition Initiative. (Learn more at http://www.freshmantransition.org). You’ll find Career Choices is flexible enough for use with various student populations in a variety of academic settings.

Visit: www.CareerChoices.com
www.LifestyleMath.com
www.My10yearPlan.com
The Teachers’ Lounge

Workshop Materials

A complimentary set of the Career Choices curriculum (value $88.25) and a valuable workshop handout are given to each participant.

Technology Enhancements

REAL-WORLD MATH

Lifestyle Math

ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS ANTHOLOGY

Academically Based Guidance Curriculum

Possibilities

A Supplemental Anthology for Career Choices

ACADEMICALLY BASED GUIDANCE CURRICULUM

Guidance Portfolio

Workbook and Portfolio

A Guide for Teens and Young Adults: Who Am I? What Do I Want? How Do I Get It?
INTEGRATE CAREER PLANNING INTO ACADEMICS

You’ll learn:
• How to “repackage” traditional academics to create motivated learners.
• How a literature-based language arts class presents an ideal opportunity for career and life planning.
• How to convince students that math skills are crucial for life satisfaction and happiness.
• Why career planning skills are critical to success in our fast-changing world.
• How English, Math, and/or Social Science classes can work together to provide a relevant thematic curriculum.

Join 13,000 educators who have previously participated in this workshop. Call (800) 967-8016 or visit www.aiworkshops.com to register.

“Career Choices received a Promising Intervention Award from the U.S. Department of Education in recognition of its effectiveness in reducing dropout rates and supporting higher achievement in reading and math.”
- Association for Career and Technical Education’s Techniques magazine

You’ll leave this workshop with the tools to help your students:
• Recognize the value of education. When students understand what staying in school will mean to their future happiness, they are much more likely to devote focused energy to their education. This classroom-based, comprehensive guidance is an important strategy for Tech Prep, School-to-Career and college-prep programs.
• Become identity-achieved, which builds self-esteem and character. Young people with high self-esteem are more likely to persevere in rigorous academic and technical settings. Therefore, a comprehensive classroom-based guidance program will increase school retention and achievement levels.
• Value and excel in their academic subjects. Reading, writing and computation assignments centered around self-discovery themes create motivated learners. A classroom-based guidance curriculum can enhance rather than displace existing disciplines.
• Learn a life and career planning process that can be used over and over throughout a lifetime. In our complex and ever-changing world, solid planning skills empower students and help them expand their goals as they move through school, into post-secondary education/training, and transition to the world of work.

EASILY INCORPORATE THE INTERNET

You’ll discover:
• My10YearPlan.com, an online 10-year planning tool that’s ideal for school-wide or multi-year advisory programs.
• CareerChoices.com and its 80 interactive Internet-based lessons.
• An easy-to-use system for delivering personalized math using a student-driven online correction tool.
• Excel-based lesson plans that make customization easy.

INNOVATIVE TEACHING STRATEGIES

You’ll experience:
• Motivating and teacher-tested classroom exercises.
• Activities that energize low achievers.
• Project-based learning that challenges high achievers.
• Interdisciplinary lesson plans that work.
• A variety of technology-enhanced teaching strategies.
• Cooperative learning strategies that engage both learner and teacher.
• Lessons that make academic subjects come alive.
BENEFITS

WHY ATTEND?

If you are exploring ways to help your students understand the importance and value of learning, attend this workshop. If you are motivated to make your class an exciting and relevant learning environment, this workshop gives you practical strategies and tools. If you want to create engaged learners using a curriculum centered around “real-world” academics, you'll find this workshop indispensable.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

• Administrators responsible for dropout prevention
• Smaller Learning Community coordinators and teachers
• Freshman Transition course instructors
• CATE directors responsible for integrating academics with a career-oriented curriculum
• English and Math teachers implementing thematic programs
• Special Education and At-risk program teachers and administrators
• School and District administrators looking for a proven curriculum with a strong track record

WHAT TO EXPECT

This workshop offers an introduction to a proven curriculum that may change the way you view the classroom. You'll receive tips for classroom instruction guaranteed to engage students, materials to make your job easier, and compelling concepts that are innovative and cutting-edge. You'll leave with a new understanding of the importance of a classroom-based comprehensive guidance experience, why comprehensive guidance is a vital part of survival in a "flat" world, and a dynamic PowerPoint presentation to take back and share these concepts with your administration, faculty, or staff.

8TH OR 9TH GRADE FRESHMEN TRANSITION COURSE

Considering initiating a course to launch your 8th or 9th grade students successfully into high school? This workshop will be of particular interest. Not only does Career Choices meet the English/Language Arts standards of many states, it also meets the NEW Course Standards for Freshman Transition Classes. Different from traditional Freshman Orientation courses, these standards provide the framework for an attitude-changing course that can reduce dropout rates (high school and college) and increase post-secondary matriculation.

PROVEN CURRICULUM

Career Choices, used in over 4,500 schools nationwide, is considered by many educators to be the only truly integrated and interdisciplinary guidance curriculum available. English teachers successfully link the literature pieces in Possibilities to career and life planning. Math teachers make numbers come alive using the budget exercises in Lifestyle Math. Educators watch their at-risk students change attitudes once they understand that they have control over their own destiny and that they can make positive choices in their lives.

Workshop Participants’ Comments

“Great workshop on reality. It helps academic teachers see how they can provide career guidance in the classroom.”
Lynn McGee
Tech Prep Director, Amarillo, TX

“A very worthwhile workshop…not just theory but practical, useable materials and guidelines.”
Caroline Willems
Head Counselor, Fresno, CA

“The materials were very clear and to the point; the workshop was well organized and is what I needed to know about Tech Prep.”
Charlene Leverette
English Department Head, Grenada, MS

“Outstanding curriculum! It is refreshing to see someone address character, academics and work in one setting. Nice holistic approach”
Teresa Sayre
Tech Prep Coordinator, Ashland, OR

“I appreciate the excellence of the materials and the emphasis on the language arts and humanities. This is truly a renaissance program.”
Janet Wise
Adolescent Specialist, Phoenix, AZ

“The most valuable material at this workshop was the hands-on practical approach...making learning tie in with the “real world.”
Linda Willis
Business/Technology Teacher, Miami, FL
WORKSHOP REGISTRATION FORM

Register today! Enrollment limited.

WORKSHOP AGENDA
8:30 to 9:00 am Registration & refreshments
9:00 am to 12:30 pm Morning session
12:30 to 1:30 pm Boxed lunch provided
1:30 to 3:00 pm Afternoon session

FEE: $129*
Includes:
- A set of the books ($88 value):
  - Career Choices text
  - Workbook and Portfolio
  - Instructor’s Guide
  - Possibilities
  - Lifestyle Math
  - Workshop Booklet
  - Boxed Lunch

1 Date and location of the workshop you plan to attend:
Location: __________________________ Date: ____________________

2 Registration fee—$129*
Name __________________________ Title/Department __________________________
School/Agency _____________________________________________________________
Address___________________________________________________________________
City _______________________________________ State ________ Zip _____________
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Phone (         ) ____________________________ Fax (         ) __________________________

B. ❏ Check (Payment enclosed—make payable to Academic Innovations)

C. ❏ Visa ❏ MasterCard ____________________________ Expiration date __________
Name on card _____________________________________________ 3-digit code ________

I cannot attend but would like a 60-day examination set of the Career Choices materials.

I understand that I have 60 days to examine my copies and if I find I cannot use them, I will return them in saleable condition. If I decide to keep the books, I will pay $79.75 plus $8.50 shipping.

Guarantee If you are not completely satisfied with this workshop, we will graciously refund your fee.

Enrollment limited Register early as some workshops fill quickly.

Cancellations: As workshop space is limited, kindly inform us in advance of any cancellations. This allows those on our “waiting list” to be accommodated. A full refund will be issued for cancellations made at least 10 working days prior to the event. Any cancellations made after this time will result in a charge equal to the regular workshop fee.

* Register at least three weeks before the event and receive our special “Early Bird” rate of $99.

Montgomery, AL – Oct. 18
Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites-Montgomery
4273 Troy Highway, Montgomery, AL 36116

Orange County, CA – Nov. 2
Residence Inn Anaheim Resort Garden Grove
11311 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92840

San Francisco, CA – Nov. 8
Hilton Garden Inn San Francisco Airport North
670 Gateway Blvd., South San Francisco, CA 94080

Los Angeles, CA – Jan. 10, 2008
Doubletree LAX - El Segundo
1985 East Grand Ave., El Segundo, CA 90245

Ft. Myers, FL – Dec. 4
Clarion Hotel Fort Myers
12635 South Cleveland Ave., Ft. Myers, FL 33907

Orlando, FL – Dec. 5
AmeriSuites Orlando Airport Northwest
5435 Forbes Place, Orlando, FL 32812

Tallahassee, FL – Dec. 7
Park Plaza Hotel Tallahassee
415 North Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL 32301

Indianapolis, IN – Nov. 6
Radisson Hotel Ind Airport
2500 S High School Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46241

Jackson, MS – Oct. 16
Hilton, Jackson
1001 East County Line Rd., Jackson, MS 39211

Greensboro, NC – Oct. 25
Holiday Inn Greensboro-_triad Intl. Airport
6426 Burnt Poplar Rd., Greensboro, NC 27409

Las Vegas, NV – Dec. 12
Hilton Garden Inn Las Vegas Strip South
7830 South Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89123

Harrisburg, PA – Oct. 23
Courtyard Harrisburg Hershey
725 Eisenhower Blvd., Harrisburg, PA 17111

Dallas, TX – Oct. 25
SpringHill Suites Dallas DFW Airport East/Las Colinas Irving
5800 High Point Dr., Irving, TX 75038

Austin, TX – Oct. 25
Doubletree Club Austin-University Area
1617 IH-35 North, Austin, TX 78702

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