



## ON YOUR WAY:

### Career Exploration Resources

*Uniondale School District Library Media Centers*

**Grand Avenue School** fifth graders put their heads together and shared with their school library media specialist their brainstorming ideas of what ingredients are needed when considering their future and the role career decisions will play. Certainly perseverance, confidence, and courage are significant! What holds the most weight? How do students set themselves on a course toward success? The role education plays cannot be underestimated, but side-by-side with what is learned in school is the commitment to one's own learning, to find out what a student needs to know in order to make sound decisions.

Use this list to explore helpful **websites** to start that journey! All the sites are gathered in one place for you—  
<http://delicious.com/LibraryUHS/careers>

Follow up with a visit to the library and search the catalog for timely **books** on this topic!



**About.com's Career Planning Web Site** <http://careerplanning.about.com/?once=true&>

Find out what you can expect on your interview and how to prepare for it.

**America's Career InfoNet: Career Resource Library** <http://www.acinet.org/acinet/crl/library.aspx?LVL2=13&LVL3=y&LVL1=4&CATID=11&PostVal=2>

Online career information arranged under broad categories.

**Career Zone** <http://www.nycareerzone.org>

CareerZone is a free, career exploration and planning website designed for New York State students.

**Career Briefs** [http://careerplanning.about.com/od/occupations/a/career\\_briefs.htm](http://careerplanning.about.com/od/occupations/a/career_briefs.htm)

Helpful information for career planning.

**Career Exploration** <http://www.42explore.com/careers.htm>

An annotated list of resources is accompanied by an extensive array of links to WebQuests to help students understand career choices.

**Careers courtesy of the Wall Street Journal** <http://careers.wsj.com>

Career news, resources and job postings from the Wall Street Journal

**Careers for Kids** <http://www.careerkids.com/resume.html>

Help writing that first resume.

**Careers of the Future** [http://www.edinformatics.com/careers/kt\\_careers.htm](http://www.edinformatics.com/careers/kt_careers.htm)

Edinformatics explores current and future careers.

**Enoch Pratt Public Library (Maryland) Job Information Center** <http://www.prattlibrary.org/locations/jobcenter/>

Helpful information on the job search.

**Firstgov For Kids: Careers** [http://www.kids.gov/k\\_careers.htm](http://www.kids.gov/k_careers.htm)

Links to career information from a variety of government sources.

**Guides for Specific Careers** <http://jobstar.org/tools/career/spec-car.htm>

Plan your career with information from the websites gathered here.

**Helping Your Children Make Career Choices** [http://careerplanning.about.com/od/adviceforkidsandteens/a/children\\_2.htm](http://careerplanning.about.com/od/adviceforkidsandteens/a/children_2.htm)

An online resource designed for parents to help their children explore career options.

**I Believe in Me!** <http://www.ibelieveinme.org/>

A career awareness website for children.

**Internet Public Library web page on Careers** <http://www.ipl.org/div/subject/browse/bus31.00.00/>

Job searching and employee recruiting.

**Job-Hunt** <http://www.job-hunt.org/>

Your objective source of the Web's best search resources.

**JobStar: California Job Search Guide** <http://jobstar.org/>

Although the focus of this site is on California, useful information is included for all job hunters.

**Kids Work!** <http://www.knowitall.org/kidswork/teachers/careers.html>

Websites and resources especially designed for kids.

**Majors and Careers Central** [http://www.collegeboard.com/csearch/majors\\_careers/profiles/index.html](http://www.collegeboard.com/csearch/majors_careers/profiles/index.html)

Majors for careers.

**New York Public Library Careers** <http://www.nypl.org/links/index.cfm?Trg=1&d1=1307&d3=Careers>

Best of the web career links.

**New York Public Library Job Information Center** <http://www.nypl.org/branch/central/mml/jic/>

Career-related links from NYPL's job information center.

**Office of Personnel Management** <http://jobsearch.usajobs.gov/>

The official jobs site from the US government.

**O\*Net Online** <http://online.onetcenter.org/>

An interactive website of career information allows searchers to discover information about individual careers.

**Salary.com** <http://www.salary.com/>

This web site contains all kinds of information relating to compensation. Their "Salary Wizard" lists salary statistics for scores of positions.

**SalaryExpert.com** <http://SalaryExpert.com/>

SalaryExpert.com provides free salary and benefits information for over 30,000 jobs.

**Saludos Hispanos** <http://www.saludos.com/>

A helpful site for Hispanic job seekers.

**United States Department of Labor website** <http://www.dol.gov>

Excellent links and resources covering all aspects of careers and the job search. Explore the many links, but don't miss the following:

**Occupational Outlook Quarterly** <http://stats.bls.gov/opub/ooq/ooqhome.htm>

Practical information on jobs and careers. Articles are written in straightforward, non-technical language and cover a wide variety of career and work-related topics such as new and emerging occupations, training opportunities, salary trends, and results of new studies from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**Occupational Outlook Handbook** <http://stats.bls.gov/search/ooq.htm>

A comprehensive guide with valuable career information providing assistance to those interested in making decisions about their future careers. Included are details about what workers actually do on the job, what working conditions to expect, training and education needed, anticipated earnings, and job prospects.

**Bureau of Labor Statistics** <http://www.bls.gov/k12/>

Asks visitors to consider what they like when they begin to explore careers.

**What Do They Do?** <http://www.whatdotheydo.com/>

Students are offered a glimpse into what people do at work and how they contribute to society.

**What Can I Do with a Major In?** <http://www.uncwil.edu/stuaff/career/Majors/>

This site helps students gain an understanding of the connection between academic interests and career choices, providing an overview of careers related to particular majors.

**What Color is Your Parachute?** <http://www.jobhuntersbible.com/>

Dick Bolles, the author of the well-known book [What Color is Your Parachute](#) shares helpful resources for job hunters.



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