ASA MIDDLE SCHOOL RESOURCES

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAREER EXPLORATION RESOURCES

ASA is a national education non-profit devoted to helping students know themselves, know their options, and make more informed decisions about education and career goals starting in middle school. As we continue our mission by providing digital resources, we have provided a list of current resources that could be useful.

**Resource & Tip Sheets**
Based on some common questions from parents and educators, we have composed a collection of one-pagers and tip sheets. Topics covered include:
- Summer opportunities
- High School preparation
- Student Engagement tips

Resources & Tip sheets can be found at [https://www.asa.org/planning/](https://www.asa.org/planning/).

**Digital Lesson Plans**
In order to support virtual education through schools and at home, we adapted some of the lessons from ASA’s Career Exploration Curriculum for both teachers & parents to download and use with middle schoolers. Lesson topics include:
- Career Clusters
- Research scavenger hunt on student-selected careers
- Claim Your Future, a game involving budget management
- Education pathway options

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**Partnerships:**
Mentoring Kids Despite Social Distancing – MENTOR, the National Mentoring Partnership, has published important tips and resources about how to connect with kids during this time of social distancing: [https://www.mentoring.org/2020/03/mentors-covid-19-announcement/](https://www.mentoring.org/2020/03/mentors-covid-19-announcement/)

Virtual Career Exploration for Students – Nepris is helping teachers and students affected by school closures. Now through April, they are opening their live virtual industry chats to help students stay engaged. Click here to learn more: [https://www.nepris.com/industry/talks](https://www.nepris.com/industry/talks)

**Call Center:**
For questions and guidance, our ASA call center remains available at 877.332.4348.

**Social Media:**
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- Twitter: @ASA_org
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