Lesson Plan: My Career Plan

Objective: Students will compare and contrast education levels and salary information for three careers using My Career Plan.

ASCA Standards	
B-LS 5.	Media and technology skills to enhance learning
B-LS 7.	Long- and short-term academic, career, and social/emotional goals
B-LS 9.	Decision-making informed by gathering evidence, getting others' perspectives, and recognizing personal bias
B-SMS 5.	Perseverance to achieve long- and short-term goals
College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards	
W.CCR.4	Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.
AVID Standards	
6.OK.BCP.1	Identify personal interests and skills related to future career aspirations
7.OK.BCP.2	Explore career fields and career pathways, including what resources and opportunities are available locally
8.OK.BCP.2.b)	Expand thinking about potential career fields by encouraging discovery of a variety of career fields and the opportunities therein

Lesson Duration

This lesson can be completed in one 45-60 minute class period or broken into several 20- to 30-minute smaller lessons.

Student Materials

- Chromebook/laptop
- Internet access
- My Career Plan Student Worksheet
    - Instructional tip: The student worksheet is designed to complement the lesson; it is a fillable PDF that can be used electronically or printed.

Educator Materials

- View this tutorial for a step-by-step guide to see how your students will navigate CaliforniaColleges.edu in this lesson: How to Use My Career Plan.

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Educator Script/Introduction:

"Today you will select three careers to compare and contrast education levels and salary information."

Warm-Up (10 minutes)

- Instruct students to sign in to **CaliforniaColleges.edu**, navigate to **My Plan** at the top of the page, and click on **My Career Plan** in order to review their **Career List**.
- Direct students to review their career list and identify their top three favorite careers.
    - Instructional tip: Consider asking students to share, with a partner or in small groups, the career or careers in which they are most interested. You might also ask volunteers to share out with the class. Here are some prompts: "What are your top three favorite careers right now? What about each of those careers catches your interest?"

Compare and Contrast (30 minutes)

- Direct students to select three of their favorited (❤) careers to compare and contrast. Instruct them to fill in the chart below, with information about each career, in the My Career Plan Student Worksheet.

Career	**Education Level** Choose the first level that is listed as that is the most common education level for that career.	**California Median Salary**

    - Instructional tip: This lesson is dependent upon students having previously completed a Career Assessment on CaliforniaColleges.edu. If you have students who do not have any favorited careers, direct those students to watch the tutorial How to Use the Interest Profiler Assessment, complete the Interest Profiler Career Assessment, and favorite three careers while the rest of the class works on this assignment.
- Direct students to respond to the following questions in the **Student Worksheet**:

Prompt	**Response**
What similarities do you notice between the three careers you selected?	
What differences do you notice between the three careers you selected?	
What about these careers interests you?	

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- Instructional tip: Consider directing students to click on the career title hyperlinks and access the **Career Summaries** in order to explore additional similarities and differences.
- Instructional tip: Consider asking students to share, with a partner or in small groups, their responses to the questions. You might also ask volunteers to share out with the class.

— Edit your **Career List** in **My Career Plan** if your career interests have changed.

Reflection/Exit Ticket (5 minutes)

— Collect students' completed worksheets.

Extension of Learning

— Encourage students to compare the education, salary, bright outlook, and/or career details for additional careers of interest.

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