

College & Career Ready...Set...Go!

A mission of Partners in Education

SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022

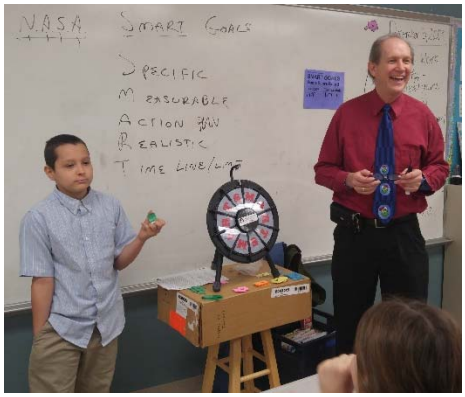
PARENT/ CAREGIVER GUIDE

College & Career Ready... Set... Go! is designed to improve academic outcomes and increase high school and post-secondary completion rates for youth in NW Ohio.

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Welcome to College & Career Ready…Set…Go!



This school year, your 5th – 8th grade children are part of a career preparation program at their school. Most of the program takes place during the school day with career-focused hands-on activities, visits to the classroom from career mentors, along with field trips to colleges and job sites. We also offer career-focused activities afterschool for the whole family.

Our goal is to get middle schoolers "high school ready" and to get high schoolers ready for careers and post-secondary training, like college and trades. You as parents and caregivers are part of our success model.

We ask you to partner with us as career coaches and mentors for your children. We will provide you with information, resources and activities to inspire your child. We also hope these experiences in our program will foster a dialogue between you and your child about their future hopes and dreams and how to reach them.

"Career Coach" Definition

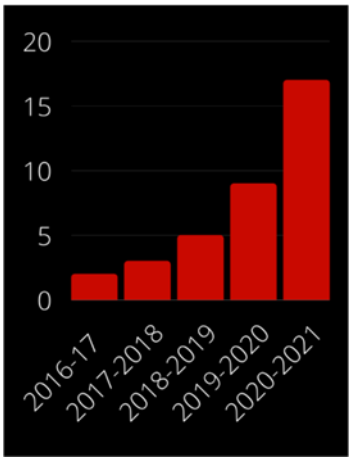
What is a "career coach" or "mentor"? It is an adult who is willing to provide support, knowledge, and time to aid in their student's development and future success.

As a result of the program, more students understood why graduating from high school and taking training after high school is important.

We Expanded!

CCRSG has grown a lot over the past five years, from just two schools during the 2016-17 school year to 17 schools last year.

2020-21 data shows an increase in student numbers of more than 100% from the previous year.



What Our Program Includes

- **16 classes throughout the school year.**
  The curriculum includes:
  - Career Skills and Interests Exploration
  - Career Pathways Project
  - S.M.A.R.T. Goal Setting
  - Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
  - Financial Literacy
  - High School and College Planning
  - Career-ready Skill Building (Social-Emotional Skills, Time Management, Organization, Teamwork, Communication)
- **Family Career Exploration Events**
  - Career-focused
  - Hands-on and inquiry-based
  - Fun and interactive
  - Informative
- **Career Mentors**
  - Professionals from area businesses and trades organizations
  - Focused on the career interests of students
  - Hands-on
  - Informative
- **Field Trips**
  - Visits to departments in colleges and universities to meet faculty and work with the latest technology
  - Visits to job sites to meet professionals and experience the world of work

CCRSG Game Plan

Students will:

- Be an active participant in all of the CCRSG activities, field trips, and events.
- Talk with peers/caregivers about their career interests.
- Apply skills learned to schoolwork, life, community service and the future.
- Seek out opportunities to learn about different careers.

Parents/Caregivers will:

- Fill out a student registration and return it to the CCRSG Education Specialist or to the school.
- Encourage your child to attend school every day.
- Come to all Family Night Events.
- Have conversations with your child about their career interests.
- Support your child's curiosity in exploring careers.
- Feel free to ask for resources and support to help your child.









We work with scores of area businesses and higher education institutions like:

Bowling Green State University
Lourdes University
Mercy College
Northwest State Community College
Owens Community College
University of Toledo
BP/Husky
IBEW Local #8
Plastic Technologies, Inc
Oregon Free Press
PNC Bank
Principle Business Enterprises
Rouen Automotive
….and many more

CCRSG Team will:

- Offer engaging activities, field trips, and career mentors at child's school.
- Provide resources and tools for parents to guide their children to success.
  - Scholarship and financial aid opportunities.
  - Take home kits to support skills and inspire careers.
  - Community resources that support family success.
  - Family events to explore career skills and options.
- Improve high school and career readiness by improving:
  - Critical thinking and problem solving.
  - Teamwork and communication.
  - Ability to overcome obstacles.
  - Math, science, social studies, and language arts skills.
  - Study skills and organization.

Team Support

Student Supports

Literacy Programs

YWCA Child Outreach Resource and Referral
419-255-5519
www.ywcanwo.org

Ready to Read
https://www.toledolibrary.org/readytoread
419-259-5350
readytoread@toledolibrary.org

Adelante- Leamos Juntos, Reading Together
419-244-8440.
adelantetoledo.org

TutorSmart
tutorsmart-toledo.org

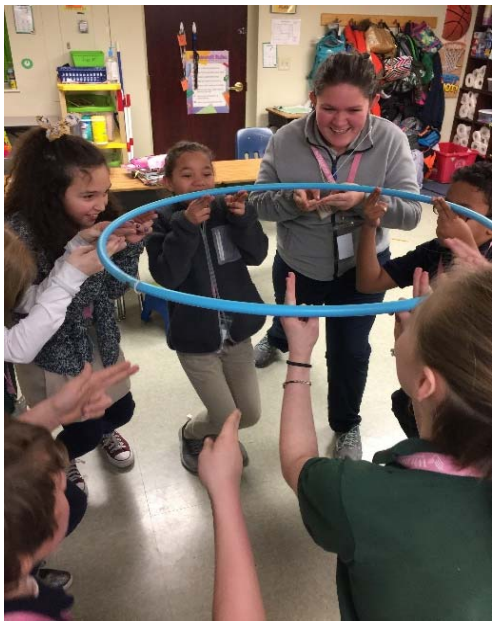
Mentors in Toledo Schools
partnerstoledo.org/mentors-in-toledo-schools

Homework Help

Various Toledo Lucas County Public Libraries –
https://www.toledolibrary.org/homeworkhelper

Teen Support

Ohio Department of Education "Career Connections"
education.ohio.gov/Topics/Career-Tech/Career-Connections



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Family Supports

GED classes

Lucas County Educational Service Center – Call 419-245-3809

Penta Adult Career Center – Call 419-661-6182 or visit
http://www.pentacareercenter.org/GEDLocations.aspx

No Cost Financial Coaching

ProMedica Ebeid Institute
419-514-1660
michelle.gorsuch@promedica.org

Lutheran Social Services of NWO
419-475-3258

Mental Health Support

NAMI of NWO
419-243-1119
NAMI.org

Rescue Inc.
419-255-9585 24/7-hour service

Addiction

TEAM Recovery
419-561-LIFE
theteamrecovery.org/

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