California Career Resource Network
California Department of Education
www.californiacareers.info

The California Department of Education's California Career Resource Network (CalCRN) provides career exploration and planning resources to strengthen the career readiness skills of California's middle and high school students.

Educator Resources

The CalCRN website hosts the **Career and College Readiness Lesson Plans** and has links to all CalCRN resources. See an annotated list of CalCRN resources on the reverse.

Career Exploration & Planning Websites

The **California CareerZone** connects students with information on more than 900 California occupational options. The "Make Money Choices" budgeting tool helps students connect future lifestyle choices with careers that can financially support those choices.

The updated **California Career Center** is a comprehensive "virtual counselor." The California **Career Center** website provides tools for students to create Career Action Plans, resumes, job search letters, and a master job application. Student work can be shared with educators for review and editing.

Career Exploration & Planning Mobile Applications

The **Career Surfer** is a mobile app for career exploration beginners. Students can take an interest assessment and explore more than 900 occupations. See your app store.

Coming in 2024! The new **California Career Center** mobile app will replace the **My Stuff CAP** and the **My Stuff Job Central** apps. The new app will enable students to create and revise Career Action Plans, resumes, and job-search letters. Student work in the new app will sync with student accounts on the **California Career Center** website. The **My Stuff CAP** and the **My Stuff Job Central** apps are no longer available as of January 2024.

Offline Career Exploration

The **Career Surfer Desktop App** supports beginning career exploration and planning. The app is self-contained and designed to work offline for users without internet access.

Join the Mailing List!

Join the **CalCRN email list!** Simply write to Laura Walls at lwalls@cde.ca.gov, or go to https://www.californiacareers.info/ and select the "About Us" tab for Listserv Sign Up instructions.

Collaborate

Join the California Educators Together CalCRN Group at https://www.caeducatorstogether.org/ Search for CalCRN in the Search for Groups by Keyword field.

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CalCRN Resource Highlights

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www.californiacareers.info/
Access to all CalCRN resources
Quick Starts and Career and College Readiness Lesson Plans
- o 45 lessons for grades 5–12 with 5 or 6 lessons per grade
- o Student handouts in English and Spanish

California Career Center Website
https://www.calcareercenter.org/
Content Related to:
- Making the Most out of Middle School and High School
- Getting Ready for your Job Search and Making Money Decisions
- Exploring Career Options, Education and Training

Student Accounts
- Student Portfolio for saving and sharing work
- Career Action Plan
- Resume builder for youth job seekers
- Master job application
- Templates for writing job search letters

Educator accounts
- Educator Dashboard to review student work

California CareerZone Website
https://www.cacareerzone.org/
Assessments and Occupations
- Assessment results link to 900+ occupations in CA CTE Industry Sectors
- Make Money Choices links desired lifestyles with occupations
- Occupational profiles link to 7,000+ postsecondary options
- "Career Hub" Student Accounts

Educator Accounts
- Track student progress
- Professional development modules

Full site available in English and Spanish
Includes a Parent Information Guide

Career Surfer Desktop
https://calcareercenter.org/career-surfer
Access via a California Career Center Educator Account
- Self-contained desktop computer platform—no internet access needed
- Interest Profiler links students interests to occupations
- E-worksheet to track progress