

READY-TO-USE ACTIVITIES: ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Write Career Stories
Time: One to two match meetings

Print out copies of the “Career Stories” activity and bring along a box of crayons, markers, or colored pencils to your match meeting. Ask your mentee to write and illustrate a two-part book about “When I Grow Up, I Could Be . . .”

- Part I: What I like to do... OR what I am good at...
- Part II: Because I like to (what’s listed in Part I), when I grow up, I could be... AND the training I need to do/become this is....



Career Pathways Storybook
Time: Match meeting

Print out copies of the “Career Pathways” activity and bring along a box of crayons, markers, or colored pencils to your match meeting. For each profession, ask your mentee to color the picture and write why it would be fun or interesting to have that profession and what kind of training or college degree someone would need to pursue that career.



School Word Search
Time: Match meeting

Print out the “School Word Search” activity and work with your mentee to find all of the school-related words.



College Mascot Mini-Book
Time: Match meeting

Print out the “College Mascot Mini-Book” activity and bring to your match meeting along with a box of crayons, markers, or colored pencils. Work with your mentee (and the folding directions) to make the book and color the mascots based on their school! If you have access to a computer, you could even look up images of the mascots with your mentee.



College Bookmarks
Time: Match meeting

With your mentee, research different colleges, look up interesting facts and find their logos. Print out the “College Bookmarks” template and make bookmarks for the different colleges and try to draw the logo or mascot! Color the bookmarks based on the school colors. During the exercise, discuss fun facts you can find out about each institution, e.g., where they are located, how many dorms they have and dorm life, the school mascot, the records of sports teams, etc.



Color the College

Time: Match meeting

Print out the “Color the College” activity and bring it to your match meeting along with a box of crayons, markers, or colored pencils. Color each of the college acronyms in the school colors!



College Mascot Match Up

Time: Match meeting

Print out the “College Mascot Match Up” activity, and complete with your mentee by matching each college mascot to its school. Are there any in your mentee’s area?



Career Scramble

Time: Match meeting

Print out the “Career Scramble” activity, and help your mentee unscramble the list of professions from the word bank at the bottom. Talk with your mentee about what someone in that profession does and the college/training required.



My First Résumé

Time: Match meeting

Print out the “My First Resume” activity, and complete with your mentee by helping them think about their positive character traits, what they are good at, awards they have received, and the “jobs” they do at home or in school. Talk with your mentee about the college/training required for the profession/occupation they choose!



School Subject Match Up

Time: Match meeting

Print out the “School Subject Match Up” activity and see if your mentee can match each school subject on the left hand side to the related career on the right hand side. See the example for science. Some school subjects have more than one related career! Talk with them about their favorite subject(s) in school and see if they can list more careers related to that subject!

Additional activities available to download for free at www.mentormichigan.org