

MIDDLE SCHOOL CAREER COURSE

WHAT ELSE IS NEW FOR 2007-2008?

- Legislation mandated that all students (beginning with students whose first time in 6th grade was the 2006-2007 school year) must successfully complete a one semester career exploration course prior to entering 9th grade. The district has created two models to meet this requirement (1) An online course – XPLOR – facilitated by a teacher of record, and (2) a set of 90 lesson plans embedded in the BEEP portal, which will allow schools to deliver the course in the more traditional manner.
- This class satisfies the mandate for students to complete a career interest inventory as well as the mandate to select a major. XPLOR is linked to the Choices planner, which is one of the requisite tools the state expects to be used as part of the selection of majors mandate.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO?

- Identify the classes that will host the XPLOR curriculum or the 90 lesson plan model.
- Enroll two teachers in the district training, scheduled for August 15 & 16 (times and locations TBA).
- Student participation in the class should be during the 7th grade year, with all students completing the class no later than the end of the first semester of their 8th grade year.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF YOU DON'T?

- These students will not transition to 9th grade

WHO NEEDS TO KNOW?

- The entire stakeholder community: faculty, school counselors, students, parents

HOW WILL YOU COMMUNICATE FOLLOW-UP?

- The Middle School Director and the Middle School Leadership Group will continue to monitor the initiative and provide follow-up communication as necessary.

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