



Mellen School District Academic and Career Planning (ACP)

Board Approved on 8/18/2017

Why ACP Matters

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Definition of Education for Employment (E4E)

Education for employment includes a long-range plan approved by the school board and developed by a team of school district staff and community stakeholders. The long-range plan shall include the following:

- An analysis of local, regional, and state labor market needs and the educational/training requirements for occupations that will fill those needs.
- A process to engage parents.
- Inform parents in each school year about what academic and career planning services their child receives.
- Provide parents with multiple opportunities to participate in their child's academic and career planning.
- Update parents throughout the school year on the progress of their child's academic and career planning.

What is the family's role in this process?

Families are encouraged to sit down with their child and help them select learning opportunities that align with their goals. All students 5th thru 12th grade will have an interview with their advisor and or counselor to discuss short and long term goals. All families will have access to their student's Career Cruising Account. Parents are encouraged to regularly log on and review their student's progress.

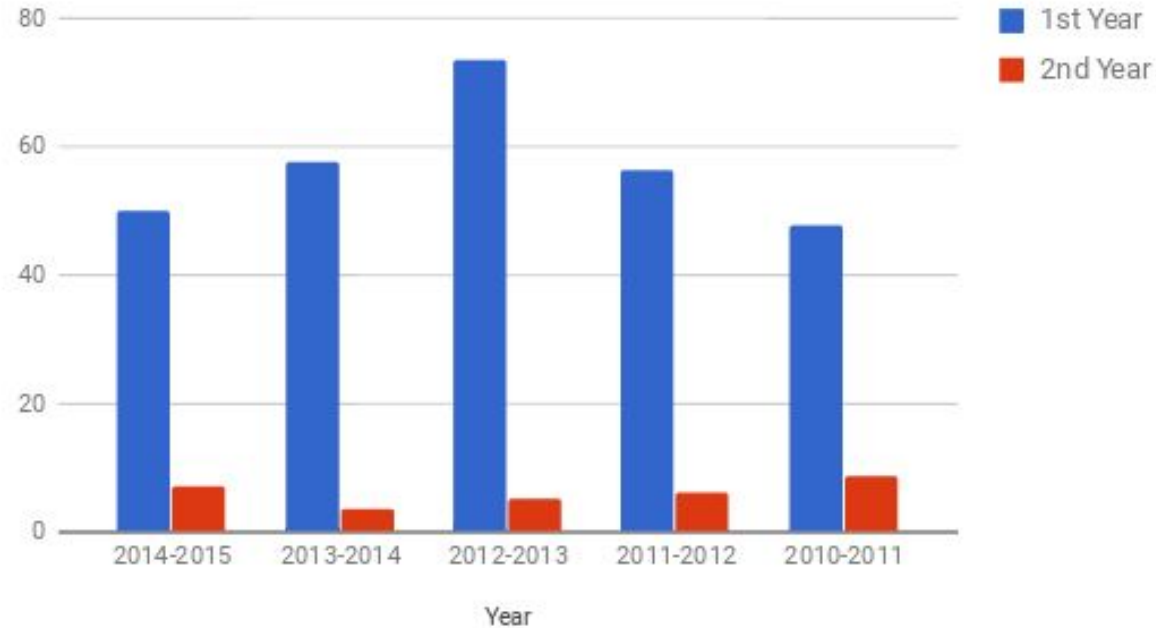
Families will have the opportunity to attend a "Family Career Cruising Training" each fall. This training will help families understand the ACP process and how to access information on Career Cruising.

Labor Market Information

Locally, there is a depressed labor market with few large employers. Many of the residents of the area are underemployed and most graduates leave the area for employment and training. Tourism will continue to play a major role in our local economy, however it does not provide year round employment with a livable wage. In most areas the school district is the largest employer. According to the Wisconsin Worknet, the following jobs hold the greatest growth potential: Information technology, health care, food preparation, construction, management, service jobs, maintenance and repair jobs, transportation jobs, and sales.

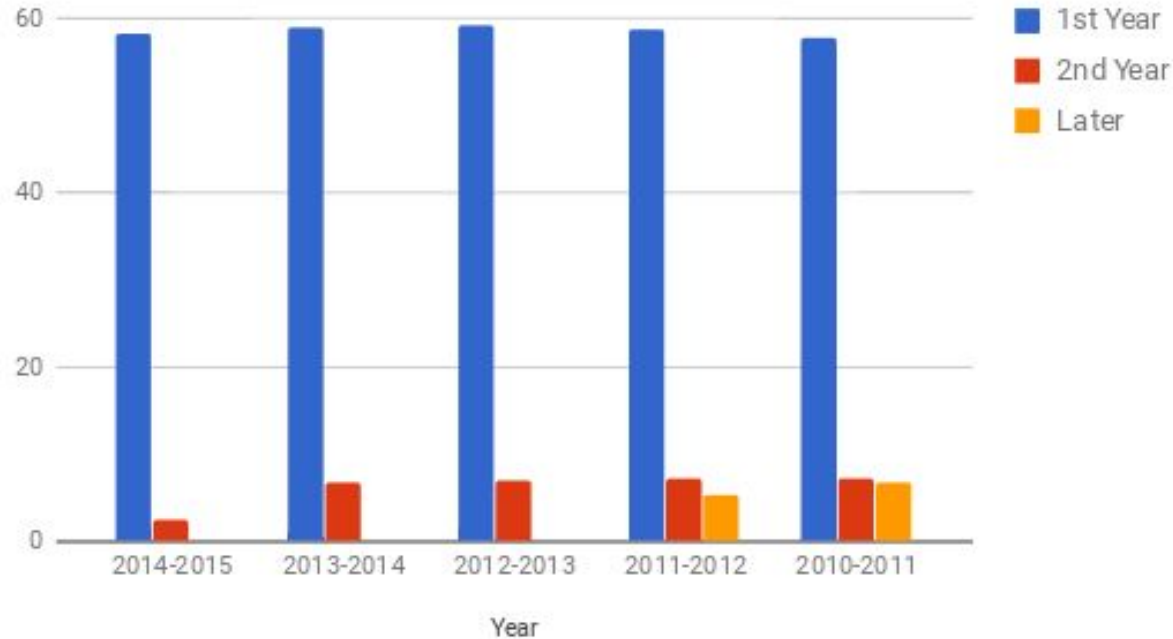
Mellen Postsecondary Enrollment Data

1st Year and 2nd Year



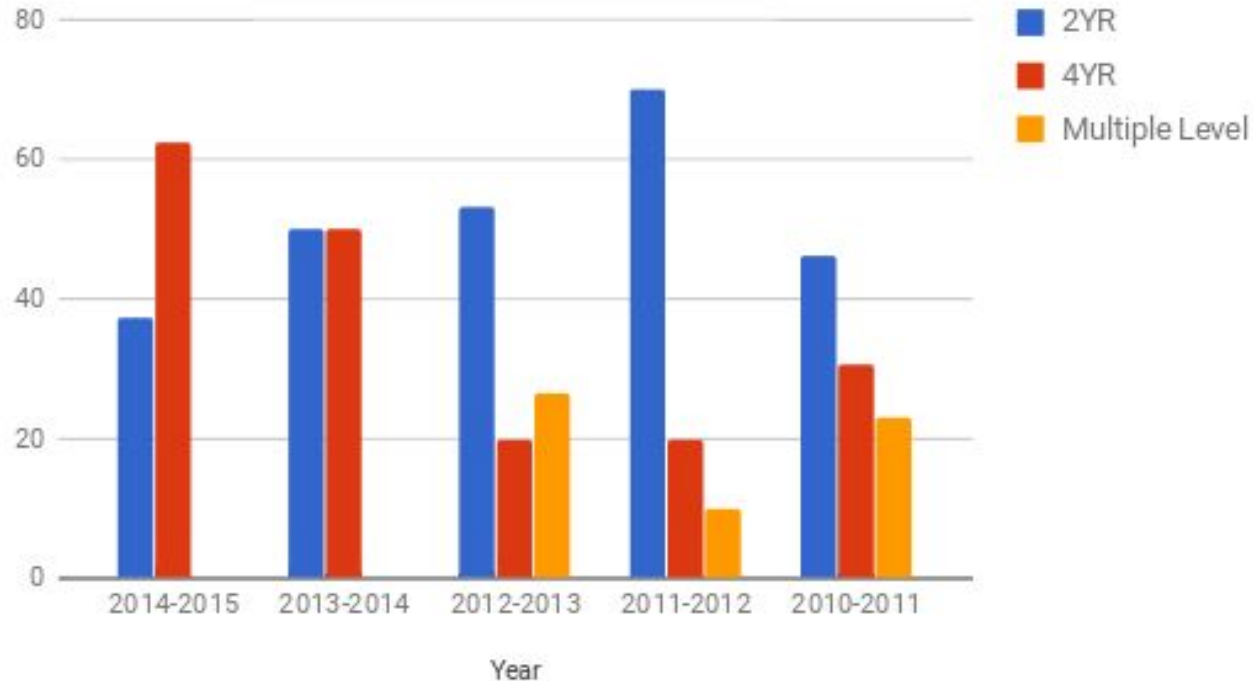
State Postsecondary Enrollment Data

1st Year, 2nd Year and Later

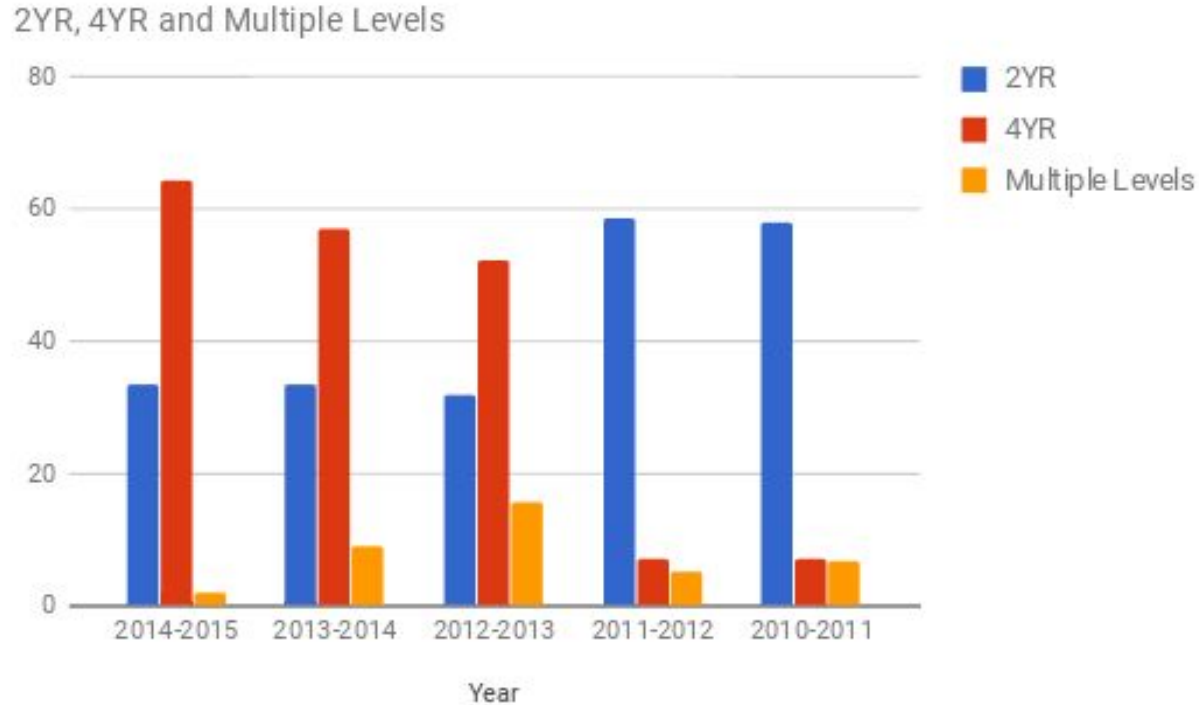


Mellen 2yr, 4yr and Multi-level Enrollment

2YR, 4YR and Multiple Level



State 2yr, 4yr and Multi-level Enrollment



School Services that Support E4E

Career Planning Services

Counseling Services

[Youth Options](#)

Post Secondary Enrollment Options

[Northland College](#)

[WITC Ashland](#)

Transcribed Courses (need link)

School to Work Program

Course Catalog (need link)



K-5 E4E Services

- Take your child to work day.
- Bring your parents to school day.
- Field trips to farm, business, cranberry bog.
- Fire safety week.
- Guest Speakers related to classroom activities.

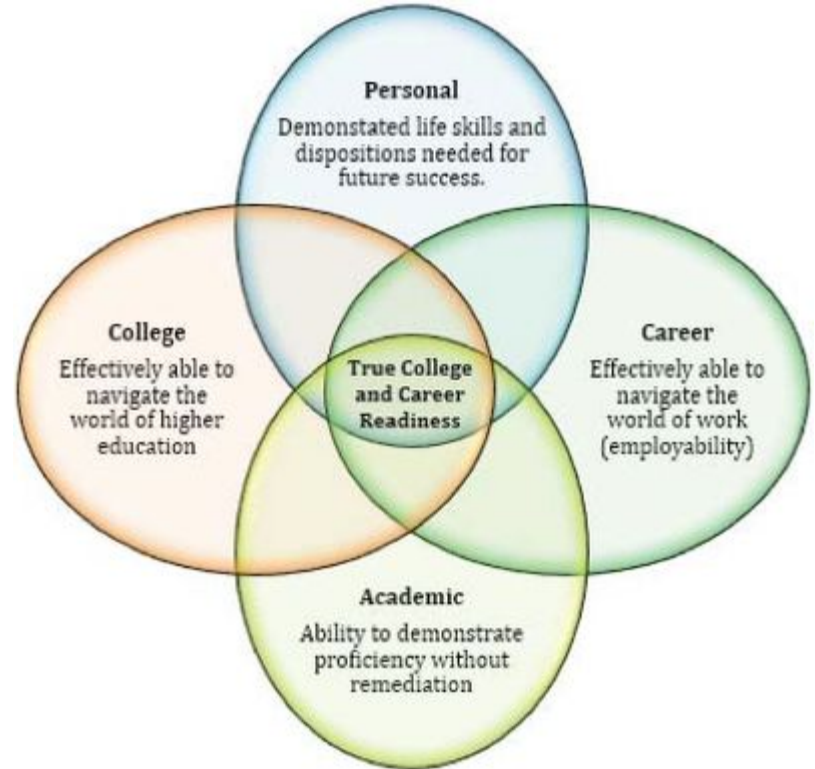
Resources to help prepare students for future employment.

<u>Know it all</u>	<u>Pinterest</u>
<u>Kids.gov</u>	<u>Khake</u>
<u>Career One Stop</u>	<u>Workforce Solutions</u>

6-12 E4E Services

Academic and Career Planning is a student driven process where they cultivate their own informed decisions for post-secondary success. Students utilizing ACP also improve their understanding of postsecondary options, better connect their goals to educational coursework and career goal activities, and engage in long-term planning for life after high school graduation.

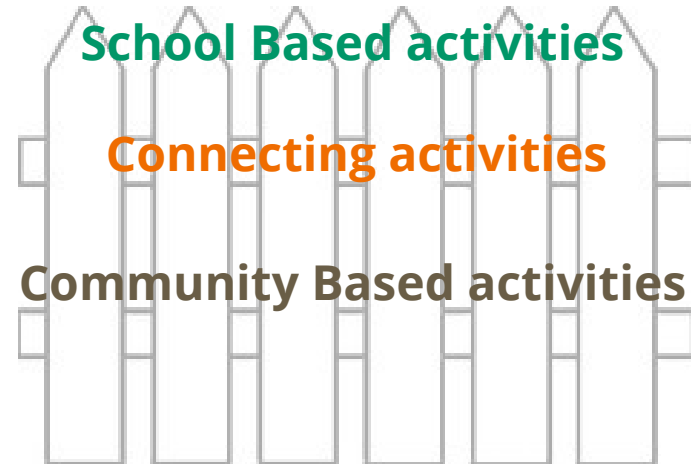
Mellen School District staff, parents, community members, business and educational partners all play a part in ensuring our students are college and career ready. We are committed to leveraging internal and external resources and partnerships to support our students in planning and preparing for their future.



ACP Curriculum Map Scope and Sequence

[Link to K-12 ACP Scope and Sequence](#)

[WISCONSIN PORTFOLIO COMPLETION
STANDARDS: RECOMMENDED DEFAULT
SETTINGS – DPI APPROVED](#)



ACP Curriculum 6th Grade

CAREER CRUISING

Career Cruising is a highly beneficial program that helps students prepare and explore options for how to be successful in school, career and life. This program replaces WisCareers.

During the 6th grade we will introduce students and parents to Academic and Career Planning. Students will be able to define ACP and begin to use Career Cruising. The primary focus of the 6th grade ACP curriculum is to help students learn about themselves and identify interests they have that can help them with planning in future grades.



ACP Curriculum 7th Grade

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In the 7th grade students will expand on their interests by researching at least 2 careers and learn about career clusters.

Introduction to Business Class



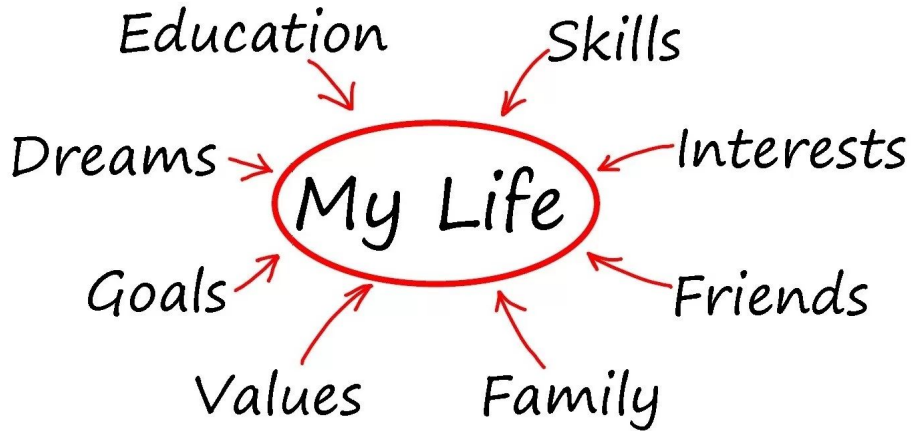
ACP Curriculum 8th Grade

CAREER CRUISING

Career Cruising is a highly beneficial program that helps students prepare and explore options for how to be successful in school, career and life. This program replaces WisCareers.

In the 8th grade students will learn about programs of study and various options available to them in high school that can help them pursue their interests. Based upon their own career interests students in the 8th grade will further explore educational requirements and skills needed for 3 occupations they choose to investigate.

Consumer Economics/Personal Finance Class



ACP Curriculum Map 9th Grade

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In the 9th grade students will further develop their career planning abilities and learn how career choices impact their economic well being.



ACP Curriculum Map 10th Grade

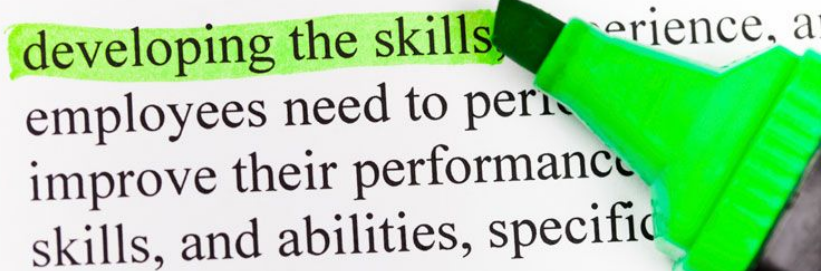
CAREER CRUISING

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In the 10th grade students will prepare a career plan and explore postsecondary options that provide training for careers. Students will study non traditional careers as well develop job seeking skills.

Training

developing the skills, experience, and
employees need to perform
improve their performance
skills, and abilities, specific



ACP Curriculum 11th Grade

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The goals of the 11th grade ACP are for students to begin making decisions about postsecondary options and careers. Students will learn about the cost of postsecondary programs and explore options to pay for college. Students will also learn about work based options such as apprenticeship as well as further develop job seeking and job keeping skills.



Career Cruising

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What does Career Cruising offer:

- Build Self-Awareness by allowing students to complete assessments and inventories using their interests, skills, preferences and dreams to explore opportunities that match.
- Explore Options by searching possible careers and educational paths that are available both in your local area and all over the nation.
- Create a Plan using results from self-assessments, inventories and your own research on options to develop the steps needed to achieve career, school and life goals.
- Access to a student's transcript which can be sent to any source that may need it.
- Make it happen by taking action!



Career Cruising

Community Services that Support ACP

- Superior Choice Credit Union weekly service at school for students
- Superior Kilns
- North Country Lumber
- Columbia Forest Products
- Mellen Manor Nursing Home
- [Northwest Wisconsin CEP](#)
- [Mellen Chamber of Commerce](#)
- Student Networks: Student Council, National Honor Society (NHS)

Post-secondary Services that Support ACP

Articulated/Transcripted classes

Career Planning

Counseling Services

[Youth Options](#)

School to Work

Community Service with City and State

Transcripted Courses with [WITC Ashland](#)

[Northland College](#)

Business Partners:

Columbia Forest Products

North Country Lumber

Superior Kilns

Wisconsin Workforce Development

Free National Scholarship Websites

www.fastweb.com

www.collegeboard.com

www.collegequest.com

www.absolutelyscholarships.com

www.wiredscholar.com

www.schoolsoup.com

Military Resources and ASVAB Preparation

www.military.com

Wisconsin Education Fairs

www.wefs.org

Minnesota-Wisconsin Tuition Reciprocity

www.heab.wi.gov/mnwiapp.html

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

www.fafsa.gov

Board Approval

(3) *Publish its long-range plan under s. PI 26.03 (1) and the report under sub. (2) on the school district's website.*

(4) *Annually notify parents* of its education for employment program. The notice shall inform parents of the information and opportunities available to pupils under s. PI 26.03 (2) and (3), including the availability of programs at technical colleges.

(PI 26.05 Program approval. A program shall be *approved by the state superintendent as long as the program complies with all of the requirements* of this chapter and ss. 115.28 (59) and 121.02 (1) (m), Stats.

Implementation Plan and Update

During the 2016 -2017 school year, 100% of the teachers will increase their understanding of the Academic and Career Program as evidenced by survey.

During the 2016-2017 school year, 100% of our students will have completed 10 Activities related to Career Exploration.

During the 2017-2018 school year, students will have completed 10 Activities related to Career Exploration.

During the 2017-2018 school year, 75% of the students will have completed an annual ACP meeting with their advisor and parent(s).

Strategies:

Newsletter and newspaper articles

Open House Presentations

Collaboration with Title 1 Survey

Students develop Career Portfolios

Pathways of study into Career Cruising

Opportunities for students to explore new, nontraditional careers, or high wage opportunities

Data Examined	Findings	Analysis and Supporting information	Recommendations
Career Cruising, University and technical college guest speakers	Career awareness K-12	Career Cruising data and counselor input	Continue
Carl Perkins Projects	CTE projects partially funded by Carl Perkins are tied to programs of study that are high wage/high demand/ and or high skill areas.	Completion of projects and Carl Perkins year-end reports.	Continue
Student participation in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) program at CESA12.	Open to students in grades 6,7,8 who show a high interest in STEM careers.	<p>Full day planning conference at CESA12 to develop the Career Planner Questionnaire required to attend STEM Day. Collaboration between teachers of multiple districts.</p> <p>STEM Day. Collaboration between teachers of multiple districts.</p>	Continue

How to Get Involved

Join Mellen's ACP Steering Committee

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Attend a ACP Training

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