

## Mississippi Career Development Pacing Guide, grades 6-8

	Grade	Description of Activity	Link to Resources	Timeline
Career Exploration	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<p>Take an interest assessment at CareerOneStop.</p> <p>Explore career clusters on the Bureau of Labor Statistics.</p> <p>Explore careers related to students' strengths, skills, and talents.</p> <p>Create an action plan with academic and personal goals.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/Assessments/self-assessments.aspx">https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/Assessments/self-assessments.aspx</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.bls.gov/k12/content/students/careers/career-exploration.htm">https://www.bls.gov/k12/content/students/careers/career-exploration.htm</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.usa.gov/government-jobs-lesson-plan?source=kids">https://www.usa.gov/government-jobs-lesson-plan?source=kids</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture_academic_portfolio.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture_academic_portfolio.pdf</a></p>	
	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<p>Individual Success Plan (ISP) brochure and introduction letter sent home.</p> <p>Host a parent night to educate parents about ISP, including the five-year academic plan. Understand the importance of academic success and consequences of falling behind.</p> <p>Show <i>Job Hunter</i> videos based on Mississippi companies and careers. Connect students with videos based on chosen career clusters.</p>	<p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture_academic_portfolio.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture_academic_portfolio.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/digitalServices/swf/college-ed/middle-school-educator-guide-1/index.html">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/digitalServices/swf/college-ed/middle-school-educator-guide-1/index.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://riseupms.com/planning/job-hunter/">http://riseupms.com/planning/job-hunter/</a></p>	
	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<p>Take the skills and work values assessment at CareerOneStop.</p> <p>Show <i>Job Hunter</i> videos based on Mississippi companies and careers. Connect students with videos based on chosen career cluster.</p> <p>Host/attend a career fair.</p> <p>Host a parent night at the high school to educate parents on graduation requirements and high school opportunities. Focus on how academic and extracurricular choices differ from middle school.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/Assessments/self-assessments.aspx">https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/Assessments/self-assessments.aspx</a></p> <p><a href="http://riseupms.com/planning/job-hunter/">http://riseupms.com/planning/job-hunter/</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/digitalServices/swf/college-ed/middle-school-educator-guide-1/index.html">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/digitalServices/swf/college-ed/middle-school-educator-guide-1/index.html</a></p>	

## Mississippi Career Development Pacing Guide, grades 9-12

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Career Planning	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<p>Complete the Explore Careers activities on the CareerOneStop website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Self-assessment</li> <li>● Interest assessment</li> <li>● Skills assessment</li> <li>● Work values assessment</li> </ul> <p>Take the Career Cluster Interest Survey. Explore career opportunities on the Bureau of Labor Statistics.</p> <p>Use My Next Move to explore careers.</p> <p>Review ninth grade College Planning Guide.</p> <p>Meet with school counselor to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Discuss high school expectations and opportunities.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. GPA</li> <li>b. Carnegie units</li> <li>c. Community service hours</li> <li>d. Extracurricular involvement</li> <li>e. Dual credit courses</li> <li>f. Advanced Placement courses</li> <li>g. Career and Technical Education</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Become aware of federal and state financial aid opportunities.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. FAFSA</li> <li>b. MTAG</li> <li>c. HELP</li> <li>d. MESH</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Become aware of institutional and private scholarship opportunities.</li> </ol>	<p><a href="https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/explore-careers.aspx">https://www.careeronestop.org/ExploreCareers/explore-careers.aspx</a></p> <p><a href="https://careertech.org/student-interest-survey">https://careertech.org/student-interest-survey</a> <a href="https://www.bls.gov/k12/content/students/careers/career-exploration.htm">https://www.bls.gov/k12/content/students/careers/career-exploration.htm</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.mynextmove.org">https://www.mynextmove.org</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-9th-10th-Graders.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-9th-10th-Graders.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture Financial Aid checklist.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture Financial Aid checklist.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="http://riseupms.com/state-aid/">http://riseupms.com/state-aid/</a></p> <p><a href="https://get2college.org/resources/scholarships/">https://get2college.org/resources/scholarships/</a></p>	

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Career Planning	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cont.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Discuss ACT as indicator of college readiness and provide ACT test prep information.</li> <li>5. Discuss PSAT/SAT and provide test prep information.</li> <li>6. Set academic and career goals.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Consider all curriculum options (CTE, AP, DC, Career Academies, WBL opportunities)</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. Review/revise academic plan.</li> </ol> <p><u>Optional activities</u></p> <p>Create an ACT profile account and complete the inventories.</p> <p>Create a College Board account and complete the Getting Started activities.</p> <p>Utilize College Board’s CollegeEd College Planning Program.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/educator-resource-center/collegeed-college-planning-program">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/educator-resource-center/collegeed-college-planning-program</a></p>	
	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<p>Review, revise, and/or redo Career Exploration activities on CareerOneStop, Bureau of Labor Statistics, My Next Move, and careertech.org.</p> <p>Review College Planning Checklist for 10th grade.</p> <p>Research colleges to find potential matches for career and personal interest (Match and Fit) using one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● College Board College List Handout</li> <li>● ACT Profile</li> <li>● Get2College College Planning Guide</li> <li>● College Scorecard</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-9th-10th-Graders.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-9th-10th-Graders.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="http://media.collegeboard.com/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-List-Handout.pdf">http://media.collegeboard.com/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-List-Handout.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="http://get2college.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/General-Booklet-2016-17-2.pdf">http://get2college.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/General-Booklet-2016-17-2.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/">https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/</a></p>	

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Career Planning	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cont.	<p>Meet with school counselor to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review progress toward high school graduation and academic/career goals.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. GPA</li> <li>b. Earned Carnegie units</li> <li>c. Community service hours</li> <li>d. Extracurricular involvement</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Review criteria for state financial aid.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. HELP</li> <li>b. MTAG</li> <li>c. MESH</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Review the types of federal financial aid with an emphasis on the FAFSA.</li> <li>4. Emphasize institutional and private scholarship opportunities.</li> <li>5. Discuss ACT and SAT with students.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The importance of these assessments</li> <li>b. How they are used for college admissions and placement</li> <li>c. Provide registration information</li> <li>d. Provide test prep information</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. PSAT.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Benefits of taking</li> <li>b. Registration information</li> <li>c. Test prep information</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. Set academic and college/career goals.</li> <li>8. Review/revise academic plan for high school.</li> </ol>	<p><a href="http://riseupms.com/state-aid/">http://riseupms.com/state-aid/</a></p> <p><a href="https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/learn/types.jsp">https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/learn/types.jsp</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/educator-resource-center/collegeed-college-planning-program">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/educator-resource-center/collegeed-college-planning-program</a></p>	

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Career Planning	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cont.	<p><u>Optional activities</u></p> <p>Create an ACT profile account and complete the inventories.</p> <p>Create a College Board account and complete the Getting Started activities.</p> <p>Utilize College Board’s CollegeEd College Planning Program.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/educator-resource-center/collegeed-college-planning-program">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started/educator-resource-center/collegeed-college-planning-program</a></p>	
	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<p>Create an ACT profile account.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And/or</p> <p>Create a College Board Big Future account.</p> <p>Review the College Planning Checklist for 11th grade.</p> <p>Research colleges to find potential matches for career and personal interests (Match and Fit) using one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● College Board College List handout</li> <li>● ACT profile</li> <li>● Get2College College Planning Guide</li> <li>● College Scorecard</li> </ul> <p>Schedule campus visits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Virtual tours (if in-person tours are not feasible)</li> </ul> <p>Attend college fairs.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-Calendar-Juniors.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-Calendar-Juniors.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="http://media.collegeboard.com/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-List-Handout.pdf">http://media.collegeboard.com/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-List-Handout.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="http://get2college.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/General-Booklet-2016-17-2.pdf">http://get2college.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/General-Booklet-2016-17-2.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/">https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.campustours.com/">https://www.campustours.com/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.get2college.org">www.get2college.org</a></p>	

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Career Planning	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cont.	<p>Create a resume.</p> <p>Identify juniors eligible for ACT, SAT, PSAT, and AP exam fee waivers.</p> <p>Meet with school counselor to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review progress towards high school graduation and academic/career goals. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. GPA</li> <li>b. Earned Carnegie Units</li> <li>c. Community service hours</li> <li>d. Extracurricular involvement</li> <li>e. Advanced Placement</li> <li>f. Dual credit</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Review criteria for state financial aid. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. HELP</li> <li>b. MTAG</li> <li>c. MESH</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Review the types of federal financial aid with an emphasis on the FAFSA.</li> <li>4. Emphasize institutional and private scholarship opportunities.</li> <li>5. Discuss Junior ACT administration. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The importance of these assessments</li> <li>b. How they are used for college admissions and placement</li> <li>c. Provide registration information</li> <li>d. Provide test prep information</li> <li>e. Completing the noncognitive components</li> <li>f. Sending ACT scores to colleges</li> <li>g. Fee waiver</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p><a href="http://riseupms.com/state-aid/">http://riseupms.com/state-aid/</a></p> <p><a href="https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/learn/types.jsp">https://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov/tk/learn/types.jsp</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.get2college.org">www.get2college.org</a></p>	

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Career Planning	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cont.	<p>6. PSAT.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Benefits of taking</li> <li>b. Registration information</li> <li>c. Test prep information</li> <li>d. Fee waivers</li> </ol> <p>7. AP Exams.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Student search services</li> <li>b. Fee reduction</li> <li>c. Sending scores to a college</li> </ol> <p>8. Set academic and college/career goals.</p> <p>9. Review/revise academic plan for high school.</p> <p>Use statewide junior ACT test data to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify HELP or potential HELP-eligible students</li> <li>2. Identify MESH or potential MESH-eligible students</li> <li>3. Identify students for Essentials for College Reading and Essentials for College Math</li> </ol> <p>Register for NCAA for student athletes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure school courses are NCAA approved</li> </ul>	<p><a href="https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/">https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/</a></p>	
	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	<p>Create an ACT profile account.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And/or</p> <p>Create a College Board Big Future account.</p> <p>Review College Planning Checklist for 12th grade.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-started</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-Calendar-Seniors.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Planning-Calendar-Seniors.pdf</a></p>	

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	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade Cont.	<p>Research colleges to find potential matches for career and personal interest (Match and Fit) using one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● College Board Big Future</li> <li>● ACT profile</li> <li>● Get2College College Planning Guide</li> <li>● College Scorecard</li> </ul> <p>Narrow choices to about five colleges.</p> <p>Schedule campus visits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Virtual tours (if in-person tours are not feasible)</li> </ul> <p>Attend college fairs.</p> <p>Participate in College Countdown MS Events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Apply-a-palooza</li> <li>● First You Haf-ta Fafsa</li> <li>● College Signing Day</li> </ul> <p>Create a college resume.</p> <p>Request letters of recommendation.</p> <p>Write college essays.</p> <p>Practice interviewing for college admissions and scholarships.</p> <p>Create a calendar of college admissions and scholarships deadlines.</p> <p>Create a form to list college applications.</p>	<p><a href="http://media.collegeboard.com/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-List-Handout.pdf">http://media.collegeboard.com/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-List-Handout.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.actprofile.org/login">https://www.actprofile.org/login</a></p> <p><a href="http://get2college.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/General-Booklet-2016-17-2.pdf">http://get2college.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/General-Booklet-2016-17-2.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/">https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.campustours.com/">https://www.campustours.com/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.collegecountdownms.com">www.collegecountdownms.com</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.get2college.org">www.get2college.org</a></p>	



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	12 Grade Cont.	<p>Identify seniors eligible for ACT, SAT, AP exam, and college application fee waivers.</p> <p>Register student athletes for NCAA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure school courses are NCAA approved</li> </ul> <p>Meet with school counselor to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. Review progress toward high school graduation and academic/career goals.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. GPA</li> <li>b. Earned Carnegie units</li> <li>c. Community service hours</li> <li>d. Extracurricular involvement</li> <li>e. Advanced Placement</li> <li>f. Dual credit</li> </ol> </li> <li>11. Determine eligibility for state financial aid.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. HELP</li> <li>b. MTAG</li> <li>c. MESH</li> </ol> </li> <li>12. Apply for college.</li> <li>13. Apply for federal and state financial aid.</li> <li>14. Apply for institutional and private scholarship opportunities.</li> <li>15. Discuss ACT.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. College and Career Readiness benchmarks</li> <li>b. Provide registration information</li> <li>c. Provide test prep information</li> <li>d. Completing the noncognitive components</li> <li>e. Sending ACT scores to colleges</li> <li>f. Fee waivers</li> </ol> </li> <li>16. SAT.               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Fee waivers</li> <li>b. Khan Academy Test Prep</li> <li>c. Registration information</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p><a href="https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/">https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/</a></p> <p><a href="https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Application-Checklist.pdf">https://secure-media.collegeboard.org/CollegePlanning/media/pdf/BigFuture-College-Application-Checklist.pdf</a></p> <p><a href="https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/">https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/</a></p>	

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