Unit #1 Title: Developing Awareness of Work and Workers

Lesson Title: Traveling the Career Paths (Part 2)  
Lesson: 4 of 4

Grade Level: K

Length of Lesson: 30 minutes

Mississippi College and Career Readiness Standard:  
SL.K.1, SL.K.3, SL.K.4, L.K.5, SL.K.6, L.K.6

American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Mindsets and Behaviors:  
M 2, M 4  
B-LS.4, B-LS.7, B-LS.9  
B-SM.6, B-SM.8, B-SM.10  
B-SS.1, B-SS.2, B-SS.3, B-SS.5, B-SS.6, B-SS.7, B-SS.9

Other Resources:  
Online Early Reader Books for Community Helpers - from Scholastic  
https://jr.brainpop.com/socialstudies/communities/

Materials (include activity sheets and/ or supporting resources)  
Posters of the 6 Career Paths  
Career Paths Posters & Career Paths Mini Poster from Lesson 2  
Student generated list of jobs (on index cards from Lesson 2 & 3)  
Same two puppets from previous lessons  
Blank Index Cards (5x7) or sentence strips  
Board Space for each Career Path  
Musical Selection on tape or CD

Enduring Life Skill(s)  
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Lesson Measurable Learning Objectives:  
Students will identify two jobs and share one reason why each job is important to the world of work.
Lesson Formative Assessment (acceptable evidence):

| Assessment should relate to the performance outcome for goals and objectives. |
| Assessment can be question answer, performance activity, etc. |
Performance Task: Students (as a class) will match job with the most appropriate career paths using job list on board or career cards as “starters”. Students will be encouraged to add other jobs to the career paths.

Lesson Preparation

Essential Questions:
Why is it important for us to know where we are going when we get up in the morning? If we don’t, what might happen?

Engagement (Hook): Put on some music. Have students form a train or line in the classroom behind the counselor. Start walking around the room in a train form. Say we are making a path in our classroom. Indicate different locations in the room and then take the train of students in that direction (Example: We are making a path to the bookshelf). When the song finishes, explain to the students that you just made a path to different places in the room. Just like when people decide what job they want, and then they have to follow different paths to get there.

Procedures

Instructor Procedures/Instructional Strategies:

1. The counselor distributes the Career Path Mini Poster from the last class. Using the same procedure from the last class, the counselor draws a circle on the board with career paths written in the middle of the circle. The counselor draws six lines from it (see illustration under #1 on student involvement). Writes one of the six career paths at the end of each line and explains the meaning of each. Example: Start with Business Path (People who like to work with numbers and be organized.) Continue to introduce the career paths and pictures on the poster (in order). . Creative Path, Nature Path, Fixing/Building and Technology Path, Helping Path and Health Path.

2. Discuss the Icon symbols on the Career Path Mini Poster and share what the symbol represents for that career path. The counselor returns each student’s copy of the mini-poster from Lesson 2.

Student Involvement/Instructional Activities:

1. Students review the career path poster, and listen to the examples.

2. The students review the symbols as the counselor/puppets are talking about each career path.

   - Health Path
   - Business Path
   - Helping Path
   - Creative Path
   - Fixing/Building and Technology Path
   - Nature Path
Counselor says, “Hold up you hand if you remember how many career paths there are” while distributing the poster to the students. Hint: Counselor says, “If you don’t remember, look at the pictures on the Left side of the mini-poster.”

3. Puppets ask, “Which career path is the most important?” If students do not respond with ‘all,’ puppets tell the class that EVERY career path is important and discuss why all jobs are important. Give an example: “If we didn’t have doctors, what would happen? If we didn’t have farmers, what would happen?”

4. Counselor reviews the job titles listed during Lesson 2 and asks students to name jobs they observed people doing since that lesson. New cards are made and added to the set of career cards. The puppets tell students they are going to play the “Career Path Game”. Several students are selected to draw Career Cards. The counselor reads the job title and the student identifies a possible career path for that job.

5. Write the name of one career path on each of the six poster boards, bulletin boards, or other display. Career Cards are placed in columns under the appropriate career path.

6. The puppets tell the students to take their *Career Path Mini Posters* home to discuss it with their parents or an adult at home. Suggest that the students ask their parents to help determine the career paths their parents’ jobs fit into.

3. Students offer suggestions.

4. Students contribute new job titles.

5. Students play the game and respond with the appropriate career path. Classmates assist in matching the jobs and career paths if needed.

6. The students take their mini poster home and discuss the career paths with their parents or other adults at home.

**Teacher Follow-Up Activities**

Teacher will discuss the career path poster when they have speakers or guest in the room.
Counselor reflection notes (completed after the lesson)
Career Path Mini Poster  
Working Together in Our Community

Business Path  
(Business, Management, & Technology)  
People who like to work with numbers and be organized.

Creative Path  
(Arts & Communications)  
People who like to draw, write, or perform.

Nature Path  
(Natural Resources/Agriculture)  
People who like to work outdoors with plants and animals.

Fixing & Building and Technology Path  
(Industrial & Engineering Technology)  
People who like to figure out how things work and build things.

Helping Path  
(Human Services)  
People who like to work with people to help make things better for others.

Health Path  
(Health Services)  
People who like to care for animals and people.
Business Path
(Business, Management, & Technology)

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Creative Path  
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