Career Plans Survey

school __________________ age ___ grade level ___  __male  __ female

race/ethnicity (check all that apply)  __African American  __American Indian  __Asian  
  __Hispanic  __White  __other ________________________________

Are you in any of the following programs at school?  (check all that apply)
  __English as a second language  __special education  __teen parent  ___other____________________

1. What do you think you will do after high school?  (check only 1)
  __community college  __university/4 year college  __training institute  ___military
  ___work only  ___work and college  ___other ________________________________

2. If you plan to continue your education, what will be the focus of your studies?

3. If you plan only to work right out of high school, what type of work?

4. What is the highest level of education you think you will achieve one day?  (check only 1)
  __GED  __high school diploma  __vocational license/certificate
  __2 year degree  __4 year degree  ___Masters degree or higher.

5. Have any of the following family members attended college?  (check all that apply)
  ___parent/guardian  ___brother  ___sister  ___aunt  ___uncle
  ___cousin (male)  ___cousin (female)  ___none of the above  ___don’t know

6. How encouraging are your parents/guardian for you to go to college?
  ___very supportive  ___somewhat supportive  ___not at all supportive

comments:___________________________________________________________

7. Have you ever visited a college campus (community college, university)?
  ___No  ___Yes (which colleges) ______________________________________

8. Have you met with any recruiters at school?  ___No  ___Yes

9. Which of the following problems might you face in trying to go to college?  (check all that apply)
  ___cost of tuition and books  ___cost of lodging and food  ___lack of transportation  ___distance
  ___need to earn money  ___physical disabilities  ___lack of interest  ___poor grades
  ___lack of family support  ___language  ___discrimination  ___don’t know what to study
  ___lack of information about college choices  ___lack of information on financial aid
  ___lack of information on how to apply or register  ___child care access or costs
  ___other ___________________________________________________________________

___nothing
10. Have you participated in any of the following activities to help you decide on possible career options? (check all that apply)
__interest assessment  __skills assessment  __career fair  __workplace field trip/job shadowing
__read career materials  __career exploration course/workshop/presentation
__specific career-related course  __student career organization member (specify_______)
__workstudy/apprentice/employment in field of possible career  __college/university visit
__other ____________________________  __none

11. How well do you think your schooling has prepared you to choose and plan for a career: (circle a number)  not well 1…..2…..3…..4…..5…..6 very well

12. Which people have you talked to about your career possibilities? (check all that apply)
__parent/guardian  __grandparent  __brother  __sister  __other relative  __guidance counselor
__teacher  __principal/administrator  __recruiter or other professional  __religious leader
__friends (male)  __friends (female)  __youth organization leader
__other ____________________________  __no one

13. Who have been the most helpful in discussing your future career choices?

14. Which of the following considerations are important to you in your choice of a career? (check all that apply)
__interesting to me  __matches my skills  __pay/benefits  __work environment
__people I’d work with  __value to society  __my family’s support  __friends’ support
__education requirements  __scholarship availability  __cost of education  __job security
__opportunity to travel  __flexible schedule  __availability of jobs  __location of jobs
__other ____________________________

15. What are some career areas in which you are possibly interested?

The following questions concern your attitudes about two different broad career fields.

Career Field: Industrial Technology, including Architecture, Construction, Manufacturing, Engineering and Transportation

16. Are you potentially interested in any following Industrial Technology career options for yourself? (check all that apply)
__drafter  __architect  __building inspector  __civil engineer  __welder  __electrician
__woodworker  __carpenter  __automobile mechanic  __autobody repair
__truck driver  __small engine mechanic  __aircraft mechanic  __heavy equipment operator
__other Industrial Technology careers ____________________________

17. How much do you know about this career field? (circle a number)
nothing  1…..2…..3…..4…..5…..6 a great deal

18. What people do you know working or studying in this career field? (check all that apply)
__no one  __family member (male)  __family member (female)
__friend (male)  __friend (female)  __other (male)  __other (female)
19. If you have little or no interest in the above Industrial Technology career options, what are your reasons?

20. Check any of the following high school courses that you have taken, plan to take, or would take if your school offered it:
   ___construction  ___drafting  ___computer-aided drafting  ___drafting occupations
   ___construction/ home maintenance  ___construction/maintenance trades  ___woodworking
   ___millwork/cabinet making  ___metals and welding  ___metalworking  ___metalworking occupations
   ___automotive mechanics  ___automotive services  ___agriculture equipment mechanics
   ___electronics  ___construction electricity  ___electronics occupations  ___technology education
   ___industrial technology, general  ___none of these
   ___other Industrial Technology courses____________________________________

21. How many of your friends have taken or would be interested in taking one or more of the above courses? ____

22. For any of the courses above that you have not taken and are not interested in taking, what are your reasons for not taking them? (check all that apply)
   ___boring  ___too hard  ___not in my career plan  ___wouldn’t know anyone  ___too noisy/dirty
   ___how I think I would be treated  ___schedule conflicts  ___never considered it
   ___not for people going to college  ___ counselor didn’t advise me to  ___friends advised me not to
   ___parent/guardian didn’t want me to  ___other ________________________________
   comments:

   Career Field:  Business, including Management, Marketing, Finance, Human Resources, Business Analysis, Communications and Administrative/Information Support

23. Are you potentially interested in any of the following Business career options for yourself? (check all that apply)
   ___general manager  ___market research analyst  ___sales manager  ___accountant  ___bookkeeper
   ___financial analyst  ___human resources manager  ___insurance agent  ___real estate broker
   ___public relations specialist  ___customer service representative  ___public administrator
   ___database manager  ___web designer  ___other Business careers ____________________________

24. How much do you know about this career area? (circle a number)
   nothing  1….2….3….4….5….6 a great deal

25. What people do you know working or studying in this career area? (check all that apply)
   ___no one  ___family member (male)  ___family member (female)
   ___friend (male)  ___friend (female)  ___other (male)  ___other (female)
26. If you have little or no interest in the above Business career options, what are your reasons?

27. Check any of the following high school courses that you have taken, plan to take, or would take if your school offered it:
___business communication  ___beginning marketing  ___accounting  ___advanced accounting  ___business technology/procedures  ___advanced business computer applications  ___e-commerce  ___entrepreneurship  ___business management  ___business economics  ___business/consumer law  ___intro to business  ___none of these  ___other elective Business courses

28. How many of your friends have taken or would be interested in taking one or more of the above courses? ____

29. For any of the courses above that you have not taken or are not interested in taking, what are your reasons for not taking them? (check all that apply)
___boring  ___too hard  ___not in my career plan  ___wouldn’t know anyone  ___how I think I would be treated  ___schedule conflicts  ___never considered it  ___counselor didn’t advise me to  ___friends advised me not to  ___parent/guardian didn’t want me to  ___other ____________________________

comments:

Other career fields

30. Have you taken any other elective career-related courses in high school?
___No  ___Yes (which ones)______________________________

31. Have you taken any career-related courses at a community college or university?
___No  ___Yes (which college and courses?) ______________________

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!