



WEEK 1:

Review my possibilities beyond high school

During Week 1, participants will review many postsecondary pathways

Learning Objective: Participants will use the College Admissions tool to review the benefits and trade-offs between seven different options for education beyond high school. In addition, students will look up to see if a career requires state licensure after credential completion as well understanding how high school coursework and concurrent enrollment can assist them. Postsecondary options include:

- Occupational/technical certificate programs
- Two-year college
- Four-year college/university
- Apprenticeships
- Military
- Direct-to-work
- Gap year

MCJ Tool: College Admissions Tool

CAM Activity: Participants will fill out an **Options Benefits/Tradeoffs** chart for education and training pathways.

Tips for Success:

- Be sure to encourage participants to consider additional outside their preconceptions. For example, a student set on attending a four-year university may be interested in attending a two-year institution first to save money.
- Make sure that students realize they can select or de-select goals to work on only those in which they are interested.
- When describing options, avoid using words like **traditional**, **nontraditional** or **other** and opt for words like **additional**. This helps create a positive environment for all students.