



WEEK 2:

Overview a couple of possibilities beyond GED or high school

During Week 2, students will begin to explore the different possibilities beyond their high school diploma or equivalent.

Learning Objective: Participants will use the College Admissions tool to overview 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 Tools: College Admissions Tool

CAM Activity: Participants will reflect on credential type, options after high school, and benefits and trade-offs for all options.

Tips for Success:

- Make sure that students realize they can select or de-select goals to work on; select only those in which they are interested.
- Encourage participants to log into their My Colorado Journey accounts to ensure that the work they complete will be saved.

WEEK 2:

Zoom in opportunities for after GED or high school diploma

During Week 2, students will take a closer look at the different opportunities after high school diploma or equivalency.



Learning Objective: Participants will use a variety of tools to take a closer look at degrees and programs offered at various postsecondary options as well as how to avoid diploma mills, identify transfer pathway and credit for prior learning opportunities and explore reciprocal agreements with other states.

MCJ Tools: CoTrainingProviders, College Admissions Tool

CAM Activity: Participants will reflect on the opportunity of their choice and begin to understand the application process for that opportunity.

Tips for Success:

- Remind students they need only select goals (options) that are of interest to them to work on.
- Encourage students to upload their completed cost of attendance worksheet into the education section of the profile.
- Encourage students to upload the checklist for college's application process.
- Encourage students to upload the GT Pathways checklist.

What the research says:

Studies show that students who specify a degree in their first year of college are more likely to complete it. By researching their talents and interests, students will enter their program with their strengths and future career in mind.