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Activity 1.5 – Career Magic Square

Overview: Students will examine career readiness skills through creating a hands-on game.

American School Counselor Association Indicator:

- A:A1.5 Identify attitudes and behaviors, which lead to successful learning

Materials: Magic Square Worksheet page 23

Procedures:

1. Review test taking skills that the students have learned in years passed.
2. Distribute the career magic square on page 23.
3. Have students follow the directions and create their magic square. Allow students to pair up with a partner.
4. Tell students, “With your partner follow these directions with one person using their magic square first and the other one gets to be the “chooser.” When you are using your magic square tell the chooser to:
 - Pick a number (then you count out that number and open and close the magic square for each number counted.
 - Then ask the chooser, “What is a career cluster that you might like to work in?”
 - Then uncover that flap with that career cluster and ask the chooser the question written there.
5. When each person in the pair has been the chooser you can have the class switch partners and repeat this activity.

Worksheet 1.5: Career Magic Square

Directions for how to make your testing magic square:

1. Cut along the solid lines of the outer square.
2. With the writing facing down, fold each corner to the center.
3. Then, turn the paper over and fold the corners to the center again.
4. Fold the paper in half with the circle facing the outside.
5. Write different numbers of your choice (1-10) in each circle
6. With both hands, put your pointer finger and thumb under the paper flaps. The numbers within the circles are showing on the top.

Agriculture

Health Sciences

Is making money or loving your career more important to you? Why?

How will you need to show responsibility at your career?

Do you want to work with people or things when you grow up?

Transportation

Finance

Architecture and Construction

Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM)

Tell about a job that a family member has.

How does math help people in their careers?

Name 3 jobs you might want to have when you get older?

Who is someone you know who is really good at their career?

Hospitality and Tourism

Marketing and Sales