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## **Naviance for Middle Schools**







# **Starting College and Career Readiness in Middle School**

Middle school academic achievement can be a key predictor of college readiness and post-secondary success. However, according to the ACT, fewer than two in ten middle school students are on target to be ready for college-level work by the time they reach 8th grade. Naviance offers a comprehensive suite of tools designed to help align middle school students' academic strengths and interests with their future college and career goals.

Naviance helps students in middle school "think big" about their potential in life and start planning college and career pathways by connecting what they're doing in the classroom to their life goals. Assessments help students discover their strengths, personality type, and learning styles, and connect those with relevant career fields.



## Bridging the Gap Between Middle School and High School

Districts that offer Naviance for middle school students can provide a continuity of experience to help ease the transition between middle school and high school. High school educators will have rich information on incoming 9th

graders based on their interactions with Naviance while in middle school. Naviance profiles include Holland interest codes, saved careers, saved colleges, middle school grades, multi-year course plans, and shared notes on student interactions with counselors and other staff.

- Naviance is that
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  my kids have goals.
  They have a plan.
  After spending
  some time with it,
  they're excited and
  they want more."
  - DAWN WISNOSKI, Seabrook Intermediate School (TX)

#### **Key Benefits**

- ) Facilitate early student engagement
- Build a bridge between middle school and high school
- Provide a platform for six-year course plans
- Engage students in thoughtful career and college exploration



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### **Age-Appropriate College and Career Exploration**

Start your college and career readiness efforts as early as sixth grade with fun and engaging resources to get students thinking about their futures.

- > Features the Career Key<sup>™</sup> assessment for middle-school students
- > Provides early exposure to college and career options
- Holland interest codes help students understand compatible career choices
- Increase parent engagement with communication tools



### **Smarter, Better Course Planning**

Students can develop multi-year plans of study that they can monitor and modify along with their parents.

- Naviance Course Planner helps students create complete six-year course plans
- > Students and parents have visibility into course plans at school, at home, or at work
- Save paper by hosting the course catalog online
- Ensure all students have plans that will set them up for future success



## **Roadtrip Nation Video Archive**

The Roadtrip Nation Interview Archive features over 3,500 video interviews with individuals who have overcome challenges to accomplish unique goals.

- > Student-conducted interview archive featuring local and national leaders
- Age-appropriate for middle school students
- > Featuring entrepreneurs, business leaders, political activists, journalists, sports writers, and many more
- Organized by theme including perseverance, failure, success, and passion



### **Extensions Provide a One-Stop Shop for Readiness**

A robust ecosystem of value-added third-party solutions extend the reach of college and career readiness efforts in your school.

- Total Reader: measure and improve reading level for all students
- MI Advantage<sup>™</sup>: reveal students' unique intelligences based on multiple intelligence theory
- > x2VOL: verify and manage student community service hours
- Learning Style Inventory™: diagnose students' unique learning styles based on personal preferences