

AGENDA - Two-Day Implementation Workshop for the *Career Choices* Curriculum

Workshop Description:

This is an implementation workshop designed for **instructors who are teaching or will be teaching *Career Choices* and/or administrators supporting or overseeing the *Career Choices* course**. Participants receive an overview of the course materials, including proven methods for initiating a student experience that culminates with the creation of a personalized 10-year career and education plan.

Workshop participants will experience the complete *Career Choices* curriculum, both the award-winning textbooks and the various academic and technology integration options. Using the carefully planned scope and sequence of the curriculum, participants will be given strategies to empower students with a sophisticated decision-making process they can use throughout their lives. By the end of this workshop, educators will come away with tools and techniques that will lead to the development of meaningful and comprehensive student-centered 10-year career and education plans.

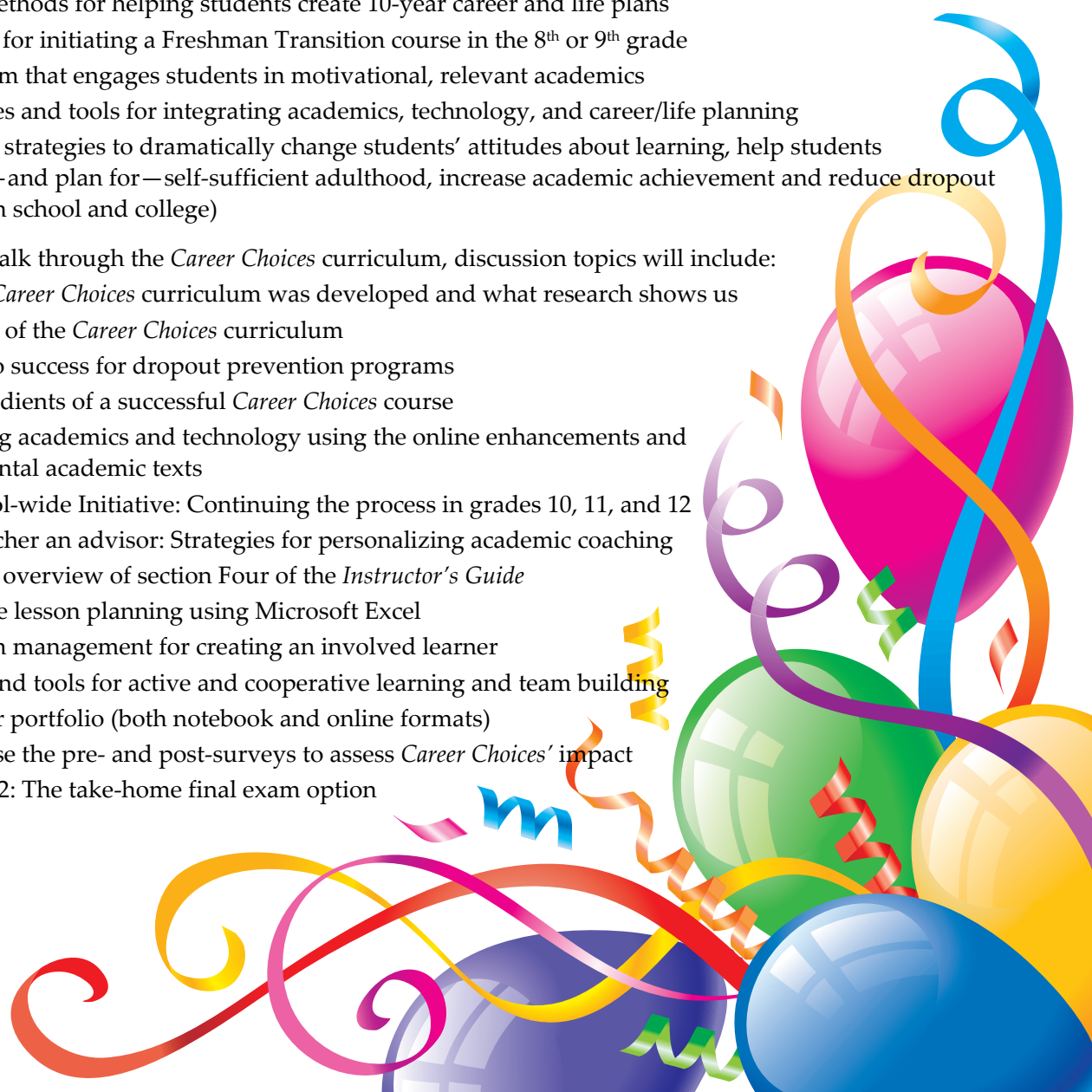
Workshop Objectives:

This workshop provides more than just theory, imparting practical and proven solutions for the classroom instructor. Participants will gain:

- Proven methods for helping students create 10-year career and life plans
- Strategies for initiating a Freshman Transition course in the 8th or 9th grade
- Curriculum that engages students in motivational, relevant academics
- Techniques and tools for integrating academics, technology, and career/life planning
- Tools and strategies to dramatically change students' attitudes about learning, help students envision—and plan for—self-sufficient adulthood, increase academic achievement and reduce dropout rates (high school and college)

As participants walk through the *Career Choices* curriculum, discussion topics will include:

- Why the *Career Choices* curriculum was developed and what research shows us
- Overview of the *Career Choices* curriculum
- The key to success for dropout prevention programs
- Five ingredients of a successful *Career Choices* course
- Integrating academics and technology using the online enhancements and supplemental academic texts
- The School-wide Initiative: Continuing the process in grades 10, 11, and 12
- Every teacher an advisor: Strategies for personalizing academic coaching
- Complete overview of section Four of the *Instructor's Guide*
- Customize lesson planning using Microsoft Excel
- Classroom management for creating an involved learner
- Systems and tools for active and cooperative learning and team building
- The career portfolio (both notebook and online formats)
- How to use the pre- and post-surveys to assess *Career Choices*' impact
- Chapter 12: The take-home final exam option





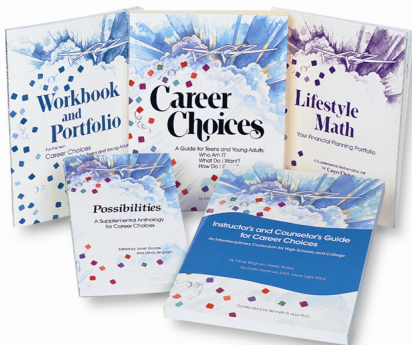
How To Implement *Career Choices*

Day One – 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

- 9:30 AM **Registration begins**
- 10:00 AM **Welcome and introductions**
- 10:30 AM **What is Comprehensive Guidance?
What are the Freshman Transition Standards?**
- 1:00 PM **Lunch provided**
- 4:00 PM **Assign homework; dismissed for the day**

Day Two – 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

- 8:15 AM **Coffee & pastries provided**
- 8:30 AM **Continue working through the
chapters & lesson plans**
- 11:30 AM **Lunch provided**
- 1:55 PM **Workshop concludes**



*** Timing may vary ***