

An Educational Development Plan (EDP) is a document showing your educational and career goals, a way to achieve these goals and the activities you've accomplished. Career Cruising allows you to complete your EDP electronically. When you have completed all the career planning sections on Career Cruising and saved your work to your EDP, it will look like this:

This is how your completed Career Cruising EDP will look.

My EDP

Personal Profile for Sample Student

Address Someplace
 Somewhere
 Anytown, MI

Grade High School Graduate

Your name and contact information would be here.

Career Matchmaker matches the interests and education level you've indicated with Careers that match. Don't like the list? [Review](#) and update your Matchmaker answers or add additional careers you'd like to research.

Career Matchmaker Results (Top 10 careers)

Interest Rank	Skills Score
1. Clergy	B
2. Child and Youth Worker	B
3. Genetic Counselor	B
4. Sport Psychology Consultant	B
5. Psychologist	B
6. Recreation Therapist	B
7. Personal Trainer	B
8. Social Worker	B
9. Pharmacist	B
10. Cartoonist / Comic Illustrator	D

The skill score letter refers to how well the skills you reported you have match the skills needed for the career listed. Skills scores are listed A to E. An "A" meaning a very good match, to an "E" meaning a poor match. Use this information to determine what skills you need to improve or learn.

Career Matchmaker Pathway Recommendations...

1. [Human Services](#)
2. [Health Sciences](#)

These are the Michigan Career Pathways that best match your interests from your Matchmaker results. You can also enter your own pathway choices. (They will print out however under the Education plan section of your EDP)

Other Assessments

ACT Explore

Date Completed: Apr 2005

English: 20

Math: 18

Reading: 20

Science: 22

Composite: 20

Each time you take a test such as EXPLORE, PLAN, MME or any others, you can update your scores in your EDP. The score kept will be the most recent you entered.

ACT Plan

Date Completed: Mar 2006

English: 22

Math: 20

Reading: 20

Science: 22

Composite: 21

Learning Styles

Date Completed: Oct 2006

1. Kinesthetic

Careers that Interest Me

Career	Comment
Bed and Breakfast Proprietor	This sounds fun, but a lot of work!
Rehabilitation Counselor	Not sure I'd like this, but it is in human service field of counseling too.
School Counselor	I like how this career matches my work values

Knowing the careers that you're interested in is an important part of your career journey. You can save the careers that interest you in your EDP and add comments to help you remember what you liked or didn't like.

Schools that Interest Me

School	Comment
Central Michigan University	
Grand Valley State University	Has a pretty good school counselor educator program
University of Hawaii at Manoa	Too expensive. Hard to get home!

Once you've explored schools, you can keep track of the ones you might attend after high school.

Education Plan

GRADE 9			TOTAL CREDITS: 0.50	
Course	Credit	Length	Type	Mark
Ceramics 1	0.50		Elective	
English 9			Required	
Mathematics Grade 9			Required	

This section of your EDP helps you keep track of your classes and graduation requirements. It allows you to list all of the classes at your school that you plan to take from 7th – 8th or 9 – 12th grade. **The best part is you can change and update it every year!** If you entered your own career pathway choice(s), it would be listed here too.

Career Planning Activities

Feb 2005 - Feb 2006	Job shadowing program JA Job Shadow Wow! I thought I'd like being a counselor, but there's a lot of paperwork!
Jan 2004 - Jan 2004	Attend a career/job fair XYZ Career Fair Really cool to see all the people and talk with them about their jobs!

Participating in career planning activities help you determine if you like the Career Pathway you've chosen. If you liked the activity, chances are you are on the right path. Didn't like the activity? Explore or research another career area or pathway.

Post-Secondary Goals

Career Goals - Career Pathway Interests

- 1st Choice: Human Services
- 2nd Choice: Arts & Communication

Career Goals - Careers that Interest Me

- 1st Choice: School Counselor
- 2nd Choice: High School Teacher
- 3rd Choice:

Educational Goals - Level of Education

Educational Goals - Schools that Interest Me

- 1st Choice: Central Michigan University
- 2nd Choice: Grand Valley State University
- 3rd Choice:

Financial Plans

- Merit Scholarship
- Working / Work-Study
- Parents / Family

This section lists the pathway, career and educational goals you plan to complete after high school. It also lists possible financial plans. **Education and training after high school can be very expensive especially if you don't have a plan.**

Writing out your goals and actionable steps will help you to check your progress toward achieving them.

Short & Long Term Goals

Short Term Goals

To finish High School in 2007 with a 3.5 or higher GPA.

Long Term Goals

To complete a Masters in Guidance and Counseling.

Extracurricular Activities

Mar 2005 - Sep 2005

Golf

Sometimes your extracurricular activities are a clue to your interests and possible career goals. "Do what you love and never work a day in your life."

Skills and Abilities

Skill	Comment
Able to multitask	Identifying and listing your skills and abilities helps you determine if your career goal is realistic.
Committed	
Good communicator	
Independent	
Problem-solver	

Listing awards & certificates helps identify your strengths. Use this information on future job interviews.

Awards & Certificates

Award / Recognition	Date Awarded
Student of the Month	Mar 2006

Work Experiences

Sep 2006 - Sep 2007	ABC Counseling Receptionist Answered phones, checked in clients, filed paperwork
Jan 2004 - Sep 2006	United Methodist Church Child Care Helped take care of children during church services.

Volunteer Experiences

Dec 2006 - Dec 2006	Methodist Church Volunteer Hours: 20 Helped organized donated items during Holiday food, clothing, and toy drive
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Work and volunteer experiences are other ways to determine if you are on the right Career Pathway. Do you like what you're doing?

Student Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Teacher / Advisor Signature: _____

Parents, teachers or advisors are resources to check with when making career decisions.