A Correlation:
Georgia Academic Standards and
Junior Achievement
Middle School Programs

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CTAE Career Development Standards

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Overview

Junior Achievement programs offer a multidisciplinary approach that connects learning across social studies disciplines, such as economics, geography, history, government, and civics, while incorporating mathematical concepts and reasoning and language arts skills.

In this document, Junior Achievement programs are correlated to the Georgia Standards of Excellence for Social Studies and the CTEA Career Development standards for Middle School, in addition to the Common Core standards for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics.

Often, Extended Learning Opportunities within the curriculum directly support an academic standard. When indicated, the letters ELO will appear superscripted next to the standard.

This list is not meant to be exhaustive or intended to suggest that a JA program will completely address any given standard, but is designed to show how it can enhance or complement efforts to do so. The flexibility of the programs and supplementary materials allow specific content or skills to be addressed in depth by the teacher and/or business volunteer as needed.

**JA Middle Grades Programs**

**JA Economics for Success**® provides practical information about personal finance and the importance of identifying education and career goals based on a student’s skills, interests, and values.

**JA Global Marketplace® Blended** Model introduces students to the global marketplace and the ways in which countries buy and sell from each other. Through completion of this program, students will gain an understanding of the role of producers and consumers in the interconnected global market.

**JA It's My Business!®** encompasses entrepreneurship curriculum for students in grades six, seven, and eight. Students are encouraged to use critical thinking to learn entrepreneurial skills that support a positive attitude as they explore and enhance their career aspirations.

**JA It’s My Business® Blended** Model provides middle school students an opportunity to experience the initial steps necessary to start a business. New program content provides an authentic entrepreneurial experience for students, with each session building up to a product-pitch competition

**JA It’s My Future®** provides practical information about preparing for the working world while still in middle school.

**JA It’s My Future® Blended** Model offers middle school students practical information to help prepare them for the working world. Students develop the personal-branding and job-hunting skills needed to earn a job.
### Session Descriptions

#### Session One: Mirror, Mirror
Students make choices to better understand the concept of self-knowledge—the awareness of their skills, interests, and values—as they consider education, careers, and other life choices.

**Objectives:**
- The students will:
  - Use personal reflection to explain self-knowledge.
  - Apply their skills, interests, and values to help determine a potential career path.

#### Session Two: Be a Success
Students learn how to set goals for their financial future. They play the Be a Success Game to see the connection between personal finance, education, and careers.

**Objectives:**
- The students will:
  - Identify the connection between goal-setting, personal finance, education, and career choices.
  - Apply decision making to education and career choices.

#### Session Three: Keeping Your Balance
Students receive Occupation Cards and observe how different jobs provide different monthly salaries. Based on those monthly salaries, students evaluate the opportunity cost when making budget decisions.

**Objectives:**
- The students will:
  - Recognize that a balanced budget is important for all workers.
  - Define the term income and differentiate between gross and net income.
  - Name ways to balance a budget.
## JA Economics for Success

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| **Session Four: Savvy Shopper** | **Objectives:** The students will:  
  - Identify the differences between debit and credit cards.  
  - Explain the advantages and disadvantages of using debit and credit cards. | Grade 6  
RL.6.4  
SL.6.1  
L.6.1  
L.6.3-4 | Grade 7  
RI.7.4  
SL.7.1  
L.7.1  
L.7.3-4 | CTAE-FS-4 |
| Students examine how consumers pay for goods and services. They discuss the advantages and disadvantages of using debit and credit cards. | Grade 8  
RI.8.4  
SL.8.1  
L.8.1  
L.8.3-4 | | | |
| **Session Five: Keeping Score** | **Objectives:** The students will:  
  - Describe the favorable or unfavorable consequences of a high or low personal credit score.  
  - Explain actions that cause a credit score to go up or down. | Grade 6  
RL.6.4  
RI.6.7  
SL.6.1  
L.6.1  
L.6.3-4  
L.6.4 | Grade 7  
RI.7.4  
SL.7.1  
L.7.1  
L.7.3-4 | CTAE-FS-8  
CTAE-FS-9 |
| Students examine how a credit score is determined and learn about the consequences of a positive and negative credit report. | Grade 8  
RI.8.4  
SL.8.1  
L.8.1  
L.8.3-4 | | | |
| **Session Six: What's the Risk?** | **Objectives:** The students will:  
  - Explore the cost and consequence of risk.  
  - Explain how insurance provides a method to minimize financial risk.  
  - Identify the opportunity cost of having insurance.  
  - Assess how personal responsibility plays a part in minimizing risk. | Grade 6  
SL.6.1  
L.6.1  
L.6.3-4 | Grade 7  
SL.7.1  
L.7.1  
L.7.3-4 | CTAE-FS-3  
CTAE-FS-9 |
| Students learn that life involves risk and that insurance and personal responsibility help to reduce the financial consequences of loss or injury. | Grade 8  
SL.8.1  
L.8.1  
L.8.3-4 | | | |
## JA Global Marketplace Blended Model

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<td>Students learn about the relationship between businesses, their customers, and the mutually beneficial exchange of products and services. Students connect well-known products and businesses to their country of origin as they explore the global marketplace.  &lt;br&gt;<strong>Objectives:</strong>  &lt;br&gt;The students will be able to:  &lt;br&gt;- Identify what a business gains from an exchange with a customer  &lt;br&gt;- Identify what a customer gains from an exchange with a business  &lt;br&gt;- Define ethics and ethical dilemma (Deeper Look)  &lt;br&gt;- Identify the stakeholders of a business. Evaluate whether the actions of a business, which had positive or negative implications to stakeholders, were ethical (Deeper Look)</td>
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<td><strong>Session Two: Business and Culture</strong></td>
<td>Grade 6  SS6G4/SS6G11 The student will describe the cultural characteristics of people (who live in Latin America, the Caribbean and Europe.)  &lt;br&gt;MSCA6-3: c) Show respect for all kinds of human diversity.  &lt;br&gt;e) Recognize the importance of positive work ethics in relation to success  &lt;br&gt;Grade 7  SS7G4 SS7G8/ SS7G12 The student will describe the diverse cultures of the people who live in Africa and Asia.  &lt;br&gt;<strong>CTAE Foundation Skills</strong>  &lt;br&gt;CTAE-FS-5 Information Technology Applications: Learners use multiple information technology devices to access, organize, process, transmit, and communicate information.</td>
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# JA Global Marketplace Blended Model

## Session Three: Global Trade

Students learn that businesses trade in order to obtain products and services that customers want or need. Students will learn about imports and exports, examine the ways technology has improved international trade, and participate in a global trade game.

**Objectives:**
The students will be able to:
- Identify reasons why countries trade
- Demonstrate that countries benefit more from trade than from trying to meet all their own needs
- Apply key terms related to trade.
- Describe how improvements in technology can influence international trade

### Academic Standards

**Grade 6**
- SS6E2a. Explain how specialization encourages trade between countries.
- SS6E3c. Describe the role of natural resources in a country’s economy.
- SS6G10 The student will explain the impact of location, climate, natural resources, and population distribution on Europe.

**Grade 7**
- SS7G3 The student will explain the impact of location, climate, and physical characteristics (on population distribution in Africa.)
- SS7E2a. Explain how specialization encourages trade between countries

### CTAE Foundation Skills

**CTAE-FS-4 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking:** Learners define and solve problems, and use problem-solving and improvement methods and tools.

## Session Four: Why Countries Specialize

Students learn that modern countries cannot provide all the products and services that their people want and need. Therefore, businesses in different countries specialize by focusing their efforts on specific resources or producing smaller parts of a product. Students look at examples of specialized global manufacturing, discuss how it affects trade, and consider the trade-offs of interdependence.

**Objectives:**
The students will be able to:
- Define specialization
- Analyze examples of international trade to explain why modern countries cannot provide for all of their wants and needs
- Show how events and decisions in one country have a causal relationship with, and produce an effect on, customers in another country

### Academic Standards

**Grade 6**
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- SS6E3c. Describe the role of natural resources in a country’s economy.
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**Grade 7**
- SS7G3 The student will explain the impact of location, climate, and physical characteristics on population distribution in Africa.
- SS7E2a. Explain how specialization encourages trade between countries

### CTAE Foundation Skills

**CTAE-FS-4 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking:** Learners define and solve problems, and use problem-solving and improvement methods and tools.
## JA Global Marketplace Blended

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**Session Five: Trade Barriers**<br>Students explore the types of restrictions that governments place on international trade. They learn about tariffs, quotas, subsidies, and standards and how these barriers affect governments, businesses, and customers. | **Grade 6**<br>SS6E2b. Compare and contrast different types of trade barriers, such as tariffs, quotas, and embargos.<br>SS6E6 The student will analyze the benefits of and barriers to voluntary trade in Europe. | Grade 6<br>RI.6.4<br>W.6.4<br>SL.6.1-2<br>L.6.1-6 | Mathematical Practices 2-3 6-7
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**Session Six: Currency**<br>Students explore the concept of international currencies. They learn about variable exchange rates, currency converters, and how to compare the prices of products from around the world. | **Grade 6**<br>SS6E1 The student will analyze different economic systems.<br>SS6E2.d. Explain why international trade requires a system for exchanging currencies between nations. | Grade 6<br>RI.6.4<br>RI.6.7<br>SL.6.1-2<br>L.6.1<br>L.6.3-6 | Grade 6<br>RI.6.4<br>RI.6.7<br>SL.6.1-2<br>L.6.1<br>L.6.3-6 | 6.RP.3 6.EE.4 6.NS.3
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**Session Seven: Global Workforce**<br>Students take on the role of international business owners reviewing the skills and experience of potential employees. | **Grade 6**<br>SS6E7 The student will describe factors that influence economic growth and examine their presence or absence in Europe.<br>MSCA6-1: a) Identify reasons why individuals work. b) Compare and contrast jobs vs. careers. | Grade 6<br>RI.6.1<br>RI.6.4<br>RI.6.7<br>W.6.4<br>SL.6.1-2<br>SL.6.4<br>L.6.1-6 | Grade 6<br>RI.6.1<br>RI.6.4<br>RI.6.7<br>W.6.4<br>SL.6.1-2<br>SL.6.4<br>L.6.1-6 | Grade 7<br>RI.7.1<br>RI.7.4<br>W.7.4<br>SL.7.1-2<br>L.7.1-6 | 7.RP.2 7.NS.3
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**CTAE Foundation Skills**<br>CTAE-FS-6 Systems: Learners understand a variety of organizational structures and functions. | **Grade 6**<br>RI.8.4<br>W.8.4<br>SL.8.1-2<br>L.8.1-6 | Grade 8<br>RI.8.4<br>W.8.4<br>SL.8.1-2<br>L.8.1-6 | Grade 8<br>RI.8.4<br>W.8.4<br>SL.8.1-2<br>L.8.1-6 | NA
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**CTAE Foundation Skills**<br>CTAE-FS-8 Leadership and Teamwork: Learners apply leadership and teamwork skills in collaborating with others to accomplish organizational goals and objectives. | **Grade 6**<br>RI.8.1,4<br>W.8.4<br>SL.8.1-2<br>L.8.1-6 | Grade 8<br>RI.8.1,4<br>W.8.4<br>SL.8.1-2<br>L.8.1-6 | Grade 8<br>RI.8.1,4<br>W.8.4<br>SL.8.1-2<br>L.8.1-6 | NA
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| **Session One: I Am an Entrepreneur** | **Objectives:** The students will:  
- Define entrepreneurship  
- Identify four key entrepreneurial characteristics  
- Recognize personal entrepreneurial characteristics | RI.6.1-2  
RI.6.4  
RI.6.7-8  
SL.6.1-5  
L.6.1-6  
RI.7.1-4  
RI.7.7-10  
SL.7.1-5  
L.7.1-6  
RI.8.1-4  
RI.8.7-8  
SL.8.1-5  
L.8.1-5 | NA | SS6E7  
SS7E10  
SS8E3 |
| **Session Two: I Can Change the World** | **Objectives:** The students will:  
- Describe how entrepreneurs fill a market need  
- Discuss the role of market research in determining market need and competitive advantage | RI.6.1-2  
RI.6.4  
RI.6.7-8  
W.6.1-2  
W.6.7-8  
SL.6.1-5  
L.6.1-6  
RI.7.1-4  
RI.7.7-10  
W.7.1-2  
W.7.6-8  
SL.7.1-5  
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RI.8.1-4  
RI.8.7-8  
W.8.1-2  
W.8.7-9  
SL.8.1-5  
L.8.1-5 | **Grade 6**  
CC.2.1.6.D.1  
CC.2.3.6.A.1 | SS6E7  
SS7E10  
SS8E3 |
| **Session Three: I Know My Customer** | **Objectives:** The students will:  
- Create effective advertisements for a variety of businesses | RI.6.1-2  
RI.6.4  
RI.6.7-8  
W.6.1-2  
W.6.7-8  
SL.6.1-5  
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<td><strong>Session Four: I Have an Idea</strong>&lt;br&gt;Students participate in an auction.</td>
<td><strong>Objectives:</strong>&lt;br&gt;The students will:&lt;li&gt;Recognize how being creative and innovative are necessary entrepreneurial skills for starting a business&lt;li&gt;Verbally defend their decisions</td>
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<td><strong>Session Five: I See a Need</strong>&lt;br&gt;Students develop a business plan.</td>
<td><strong>Objectives:</strong>&lt;br&gt;The students will:&lt;li&gt;Analyze how entrepreneurs use their knowledge and abilities to create businesses&lt;li&gt;Develop business plans based on set criteria</td>
<td>RI.6.1-2&lt;br&gt;RI.6.4&lt;br&gt;RI.6.7-8&lt;br&gt;SL.6.1-5&lt;br&gt;L.6.1-6&lt;br&gt;RI.7.1-4&lt;br&gt;RI.7.7-10&lt;br&gt;SL.7.1-5&lt;br&gt;L.7.1-6&lt;br&gt;RI.8.1-4&lt;br&gt;RI.8.7-8&lt;br&gt;SL.8.1-5&lt;br&gt;L.8.1-5</td>
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<td><strong>Session Six: Celebrate Entrepreneurs!</strong>&lt;br&gt;Students identify their entrepreneurial characteristics.</td>
<td><strong>Objectives:</strong>&lt;br&gt;The students will:&lt;li&gt;Identify characteristics they share with entrepreneurs&lt;li&gt;Create a personal entrepreneur profile</td>
<td>RI.6.1-2&lt;br&gt;RI.6.4&lt;br&gt;RI.6.7-8&lt;br&gt;W.6.1-2&lt;br&gt;W.6.7-8&lt;br&gt;SL.6.1-5&lt;br&gt;L.6.1-6&lt;br&gt;RI.7.1-4&lt;br&gt;RI.7.7-10&lt;br&gt;W.7.1-2&lt;br&gt;W.7.6-8&lt;br&gt;SL.7.1-5&lt;br&gt;L.7.1-6&lt;br&gt;RI.8.1-4&lt;br&gt;RI.8.7-8&lt;br&gt;W.8.1-2&lt;br&gt;W.8.7-9&lt;br&gt;SL.8.1-5&lt;br&gt;L.8.1-5</td>
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# JA It's My Business! Blended Model

## Session One: Entrepreneurs

Students learn about the relationship between entrepreneurs, their businesses, and the products and services they offer, and then take an entrepreneurial characteristics inventory to assess their own entrepreneurial skills and interests.

### Objectives:

The students will be able to:
- Define entrepreneurship and social entrepreneurship
- Describe the relationship between a business and its products and service
- Identify entrepreneurial characteristics and recognize them, in varying degrees, in themselves

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### Basic Skills of Marketing

- MSMSS6-2: Students will investigate and implement basic economic concepts.
- MSMSS6-3: Students will examine the relationship between entrepreneurship and marketing.

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## Session Two: Market and Need

Students are introduced to young entrepreneurs who have successfully met an identified market need, and then created a new product to meet the need. Students work in groups to brainstorm current needs within different product categories.

### Objectives:

The students will be able to:
- Define market and need
- Explain the importance of identifying market and need when developing new product or service ideas

### Academic Standards

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### CTAE Foundation Skills

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## Session Three: Innovative Ideas

Students learn about innovative idea generation, and examine cutting-edge products. Working in groups, students brainstorm their own product ideas and use graphic organizers to capture them.

### Objectives:

The students will be able to:
- Explain innovation and recognize it as a necessary entrepreneurial skill when starting a business
- Participate in creative idea generation, from brainstorming to defending and selecting an idea

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### CTAE Foundation Skills

- CTAE-FS-8 Leadership and Teamwork: Learners apply leadership and teamwork skills in Collaborating with others to accomplish organizational goals and objectives.
- CTAE-FS-2 Academic Foundations: Learners achieve state academic standards at or above grade level.

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| **Session Four: Design and Prototype**  
Students learn about the product design and prototype process. Each student will create a product sketch to show the features and explain the purpose of his or her product. | **CTAE Foundation Skills**  
CTAE-FS-4 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: Learners define and solve problems, and use problem-solving and improvement methods and tools.  
CTAE-FS-1 Technical Skills: Learners achieve technical content skills necessary to pursue the full range of careers for all pathways in the program concentration. | Grade 6  
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Grade 8  
RI.8.4  
W.8.4  
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L.8.1-5 |
| **Objectives:**  
The students will be able to:  
• Represent a product idea and its features by using rough sketches and drawings.  
• Recognize sketches as an important first step in the prototype process. |  |  |
| **Session Five: Testing the Market**  
Students learn about the importance of obtaining market feedback about new product ideas. They will examine various survey question types and determine whether questions yield useful product feedback, and then practice developing survey questions in groups. | **Basic Skills of Marketing**  
MSMSS6-1: Students will define marketing and show how marketing fits into their daily lives.  
MSMSS6-4: Students will conduct market research and explain the value of market research to a business. | Grade 6  
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L.7.1-6  
Grade 8  
RI.8.4  
W.8.4  
SL.8.1-2  
SL.8.4-5 |
| **Objectives:**  
The students will be able to:  
• Discuss the importance of market research in the product development process  
Describe multiple types of survey questions |  |  |
| **Session Six: Seek Funding**  
Students learn how to plan and deliver a pitch presentation with the intent of attracting potential investors. In a mock competition, groups will pitch their product idea to guest judge(s) who will award teams with ceremonial startup funds. | **Basic Skills of Marketing**  
MSMSS6-3:g. Define start-up capital and determine ways to generate capital to start a business.  
MSMSS6-5: The student will use technology to develop and deliver formal presentations. | Grade 6  
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RI.6.4  
RI.6.7  
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L.7.1-4  
Grade 8  
RI.8.4  
W.8.4  
SL.8.1-2  
SL.8.4-5 |
| **Objectives:**  
The students will be able to:  
• Describe the elements that make a strong pitch presentation  
• Work together to create and deliver a product pitch for potential funding | **CTAE Foundation Skills**  
CTAE-FS-9 Ethics and Legal Responsibilities: Learners commit to work ethics, behavior, and legal responsibilities in the workplace. | Grade 6  
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RI.6.4  
RI.6.7  
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<td>Through interviews, self-reflection, and creation of a personal logo, students explore the importance of building a positive personal brand for the future, starting in middle school.</td>
<td>- The students will:</td>
<td><strong>Grade 7</strong></td>
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<td>▪ Recognize that the choices they make in middle school can have a direct impact now and in the future</td>
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<td>▪ Identify corporate and personal brands that represent positive reputations</td>
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<td>Students explore career clusters and identify jobs for additional research. They also recognize the value of and need for all jobs.</td>
<td>- Examine career clusters and the jobs in each cluster that they would like to further explore</td>
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<td>▪ Understand the interconnectivity and value of all types of jobs</td>
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<td>Students learn the four factors to consider in choosing a job, and they take a close look at some high-growth career fields.</td>
<td>- Recognize the four factors to consider in choosing a job</td>
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<td>▪ Describe industries that are forecasted to have high growth</td>
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<td>Students explore how to use life experiences to develop work skills and how to map a path to employment goals.</td>
<td>- Identify work skills already developed from experiences and activities</td>
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<td>▪ Plan significant markers they need to reach to earn a particular job</td>
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### Session Descriptions | Key Learning Objectives | Common Core ELA | Academic Standards
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### Session Five: On the Hunt | Objectives: Students are introduced to the basic aspects of job hunting through a scavenger hunt. They are given an organizing tool to keep all their vital job-hunting information in one place. | Grade 6 CC.1.2.6.A-B CC.1.5.6.A-C | MSCA6-4
### Session Five: On the Hunt |  | Grade 7 CC.1.2.7. A-B CC.1.5.7. A-C | MSCD8-3
### Session Five: On the Hunt |  | Grade 8 CC.1.2.8 A-B CC.1.5.8. A-C | MSCA6-3 MSCD7-1 MSCD8-1
### Session Six: How to Keep (or Lose) a Job | Objectives: Students learn the difference between technical and soft skills, and they recognize the impact that their personal behavior has on their ability to succeed in a job. | Grade 6 CC.1.2.6. A-B CC.1.4.6.A ,B,C,E,F CC.1.5.6.A,B,C | MSCA6-3
### Session Six: How to Keep (or Lose) a Job |  | Grade 7 CC.1.2.7. A-B CC.1.4.7.A ,B,C,E,F CC.1.5.7.A-C | MSCD7-1
### Session Six: How to Keep (or Lose) a Job |  | Grade 8 CC.1.2.8. A-B CC.1.4.8.A,B,C,E,F CC.1.5.8.A,B,C | MSCD8-1
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<td>Students learn that they have their own personal brand and that the brand they build today will reflect on them in the future. They examine well-known logos to learn how individuals and companies create their brands and build their reputations. They assess their personal characteristics to define their own brands and then develop logos to represent themselves.</td>
<td>CTAE-FS-5 Information Technology Applications: Learners use multiple information Technology devices to access, organize process, transmit, and communicate information. CTAE-FS-3 Communications: Learners use various communication skills in expressing and interpreting information. MSCA6-2: Students will demonstrate an understanding of how to build and maintain a positive self-concept and a positive self-esteem.</td>
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<td>The students will be able to:</td>
<td>CTAE-FS-8 Leadership and Teamwork: Learners apply leadership and teamwork skills in Collaborating with others to accomplish organizational goals and objectives. CTAE-FS-2 Academic Foundations: Learners achieve state academic standards at or above grade level.</td>
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<td>- Describe the elements of a brand</td>
<td>MSCA6-1: Students will understand the personal nature of work and how it relates to them as individuals and as integral parts of society.</td>
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<td>- Recognize the ability of personal branding to build a positive reputation, for their personal life as well as for their future career</td>
<td>b) Compare and contrast jobs vs. careers c) Identify, utilize, and demonstrate current and viable career-related resources to research career opportunities in self-selected pathways. MSCA6-5: Students will participate in career-related assessments.</td>
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<td>- Design a logo that expresses their personal brand</td>
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| **Session Two: Career Paths and Clusters** | **CTAE Foundation Skills** | **Grade 6** |
| Students are introduced to the 16 career clusters and the pathways through them. They take a career interest survey and learn about potential jobs within their preferred clusters. They then share job information with other members of the class and discuss the importance of all jobs within a community. | CTAE-FS-5 Information Technology Applications: Learners use multiple information Technology devices to access, organize process, transmit, and communicate information. CTAE-FS-3 Communications: Learners use various communication skills in expressing and interpreting information. MSCA6-2: Students will demonstrate an understanding of how to build and maintain a positive self-concept and a positive self-esteem. | RI.6.4, RI.6.7, SL.6.1-2, SL.6.4-5, L.6.1-6 |
| **Objectives:** | **CTAE Foundation Skills** | **Grade 7** |
| The students will be able to: | CTAE-FS-8 Leadership and Teamwork: Learners apply leadership and teamwork skills in Collaborating with others to accomplish organizational goals and objectives. CTAE-FS-2 Academic Foundations: Learners achieve state academic standards at or above grade level. | RI.7.4, SL.7.1-2, SL.7.4-5, L.7.1-6 |
| - Define careers cluster. | MSCA6-1: Students will understand the personal nature of work and how it relates to them as individuals and as integral parts of society. | Grade 8 |
| - Identify jobs in specific career clusters to explore further | b) Compare and contrast jobs vs. careers c) Identify, utilize, and demonstrate current and viable career-related resources to research career opportunities in self-selected pathways. MSCA6-5: Students will participate in career-related assessments. | RI.8.1, RI.8.4, SL.8.1-2, SL.8.4, L.8.1-6 |
| - Recognize the interconnectivity and value of all types of jobs | **CTAE Foundation Skills** | Grade 6 |
| **Session Three: High-Growth Careers** | CTAE-FS-6 Systems: Learners understand a variety of organizational structures and functions. MSCA6-1: Students will understand the personal nature of work and how it relates to them as individuals and as integral parts of society. c) Determine viable career options (high-demand, high-skilled, and high-wage). | RI.6.1, RI.6.4, RI.6.7, SL.6.1-2, L.6.1-6 |
| Students learn about the importance of being aware of which fields are growing and which are declining when making decisions about their own careers. They play a game that introduces information about high-growth job fields. | **CTAE Foundation Skills** | **Grade 7** |
| **Objectives:** | CTAE-FS-6 Systems: Learners understand a variety of organizational structures and functions. MSCA6-1: Students will understand the personal nature of work and how it relates to them as individuals and as integral parts of society. c) Determine viable career options (high-demand, high-skilled, and high-wage). | RI.7.1, RI.7.4, SL.7.1-2, L.7.1-6 |
| The students will be able to: | **CTAE Foundation Skills** | **Grade 8** |
| - Identify specific careers that are forecast to have high-growth rates | CTAE-FS-6 Systems: Learners understand a variety of organizational structures and functions. MSCA6-1: Students will understand the personal nature of work and how it relates to them as individuals and as integral parts of society. c) Determine viable career options (high-demand, high-skilled, and high-wage). | RI.8.1, RI.8.4, SL.8.1-2, L.8.1-3,4 |
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<td>Students learn how early experiences can build transferable skills that contribute to future job success. Students look at the lives of celebrities and their paths to success, focusing on early experiences. They learn about career maps by examining a sample and then creating their own.</td>
<td>CTAE-FS-10 Career Development: Learners plan and manage academic-career plans and Employment relations.</td>
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<td>Students are introduced to the basics of looking for, and applying and interviewing for a job. They play a game in which they must identify two truths and a myth about the job search process. They also learn the fundamentals of creating a resume and engage in simulation in which they identify appropriate skills for various jobs and decide upon the right section of a resume to highlight those skills.</td>
<td>CTAE-FS-4 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: Learners define and solve problems, and use problem-solving and improvement methods and tools. CTAE-FS-1 Technical Skills: Learners achieve technical content skills necessary to pursue the full range of careers for all pathways in the program concentration.</td>
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<td>• Recognize basic job-hunting techniques, including looking for a job, applying, interviewing, and listing references</td>
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<td>• Recognize the importance of personal presentation and making a good impression, on paper and in person.</td>
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<td>• Recognize the basic construction of a resume and skills that should be highlighted on a resume.</td>
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<td>Students learn about the differences between technical and soft skills and why both are essential for keeping a job. Students will also complete a soft skills self-evaluation to determine which skills they already have and which they can work toward. Finally, they will role-play situations that require strong soft skills.</td>
<td>CTAE-FS-9 Ethics and Legal Responsibilities: Learners commit to work ethics, behavior, and legal responsibilities in the workplace.</td>
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