

Career/College Preparation Websites

Please note: Websites change often. What is a free service one day will change sponsors or become a pay-to-use site the next. Use caution when providing information and make sure that you do not commit to payment. In addition, know that when you submit personal information you can expect mailings and contacts from affiliated institutions. You *never* have to pay for scholarship and college information.

Career Planning

access.bridges.com – Career exploration and planning resources. Students must obtain a code from the counselor to use this site.

www.bls.gov – Under publications see the Occupational Outlook handbook for career information

www.careervoyages.gov/index.cfm - Department of Labor site that connects jobs with training options. Good for apprenticeships.

www.careeronestop.org – US Department of Labor site with career answers

www.careerplanning.about.com – Tools and information for career planning at any age

www.egfi-k12.org/engineer - A fun site for future engineers

www.eduguide.org – Great information on planning for students and parents

College Testing

www.collegeboard.com – SAT registration and preparation. Take the daily SAT Question of the Day

www.actstudent.org – ACT registration and preparation. Check for ACT question of the day

www.vocabulary.com – Word of the day and other tools to build vocabulary

www.studyhall.com – Free SAT preparation

College Search

www.michigancap.org – Michigan's College Access Portal. Register and have access to college search by majors, a cost calculator, scholarship and general college information. Create a portfolio of information. Ages: 14 and older.

www.macrao.org – Michigan Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers --Features a calendar of College Days and Nights, transfer information, and links to Michigan colleges and universities.

www.pcsum.org – President's Council State Universities of Michigan – Links to Michigan's 15 Public Universities

www.mcca.org – Michigan Community College Association – Map and links to all public Michigan Community Colleges

www.collegesource.org – Link to college catalogs, profiles, and websites. Good search tools

www.students.gov/ – Student gateway to the US Government – Comprehensive searches and guides to college and financial aid options

www.usnews.com/sections/education/index.html - Loaded with information and college rankings

www.collegeanswer.com Sponsored by Sallie Mae the site has selection and financial aid information

nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/ – US Gov't site for criteria search

www.collegeboard.com – College search and financial information

www.petersons.com – Publishers of Peterson's guides

www.review.com – Publisher of Princeton review. Good for law, medicine, business

www.collegenet.com – College and scholarship search

www.mapping-your-future.org - Career, College and Financial Aid information

www.schoolsoup.com – General information including a search for on-line schools

www.whatisaverage.com – Has a college potential calculator that will determine the chance of getting into a selected college with input of GPA's, test scores and other significant factors for admission.

Military

www.todaysmilitary.com – ROTC and military academy information

www.myfuture.com – All branches of the military – shows relationship of military to civilian careers

Trade Schools/Apprenticeship

www.trade-schools.net – Vocational schools information

<http://www.careervoyages.gov/apprenticeship-main.cfm> - Government site for apprenticeship

www.khake.com – Vocational school information – based in NY

Financial Aid

<http://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid> State of Michigan site will many necessary links. Check for updates to the Michigan Promise Scholarship, Michigan Engineering Incentive, Michigan Education Trust, and many other programs to help pay for college.

Link to the Michigan Postsecondary Handbook for additional college information

www.fastweb.com – great source for scholarships

www.micollegegoal.org – Michigan Goal Sunday – registration for FAFSA

www.fafsa.ed.gov - Free application for federal student aid and pin #

www.finaid.org/scholarships - Good information re: college money -- Leads to Fastweb

www.uncf.org – United Negro College Fund

www.collegefund.org – American Indian College Fund

www.aauw.org – Promotes opportunities for women including scholarships