



Career & Technical Education Stanley Elementary

April 3, 2026

STRONGER TOGETHER: FORGING OUR PATH



Explore

Experience

Envision

The Garden Grove Way

Our Mission

To ensure student success, we will provide a rigorous and supportive academic experience that motivates all learners to meet high expectations.

Our Vision

We are committed to preparing all students to be successful and responsible citizens who contribute and thrive in a diverse society.

Goal 1



Academic Skills

Academic Content
Academic English
Scholarly Habits



Goal 2



Personal Skills

Motivation
Well-being
Climate & Culture



Goal 3



Lifelong Success

College & Career Readiness
College & Career Success

AGENDA

- **Career Technical Education Overview**
- **Intermediate Career Explorariion**
- **Career Converstations in Elementary School**
- **Resources & Suggested Activities**

A low-angle photograph of graduates in blue gowns and caps, celebrating with their arms raised and diplomas held high against a clear blue sky. The scene is filled with joy and accomplishment.

California 5.8 million

Orange County 430,000

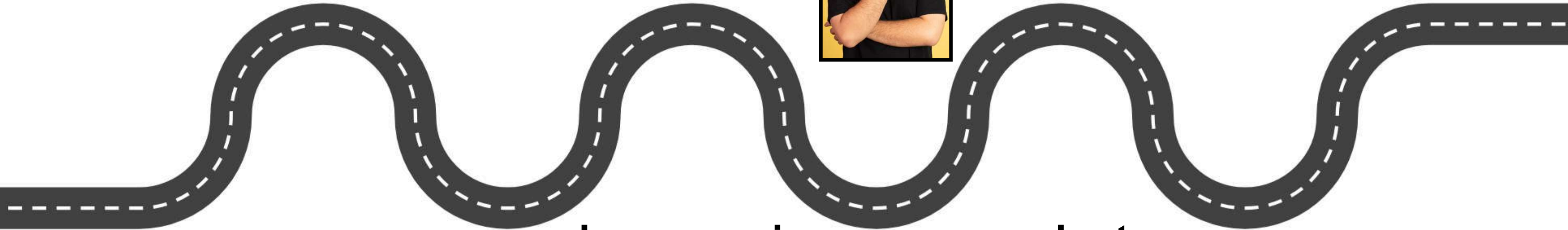
GGUSD 36,000

College and Career Journey

choosing career

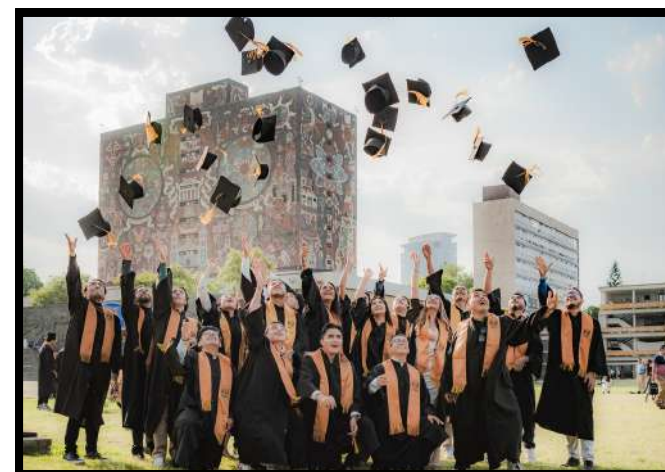


change major



change major

graduate



**What does lifelong success
look like for our students?**



Successful Career

Financial
Independence

Advanced
Education

Strong Personal
Relationships

Travel and
Cultural
Experiences

A Home

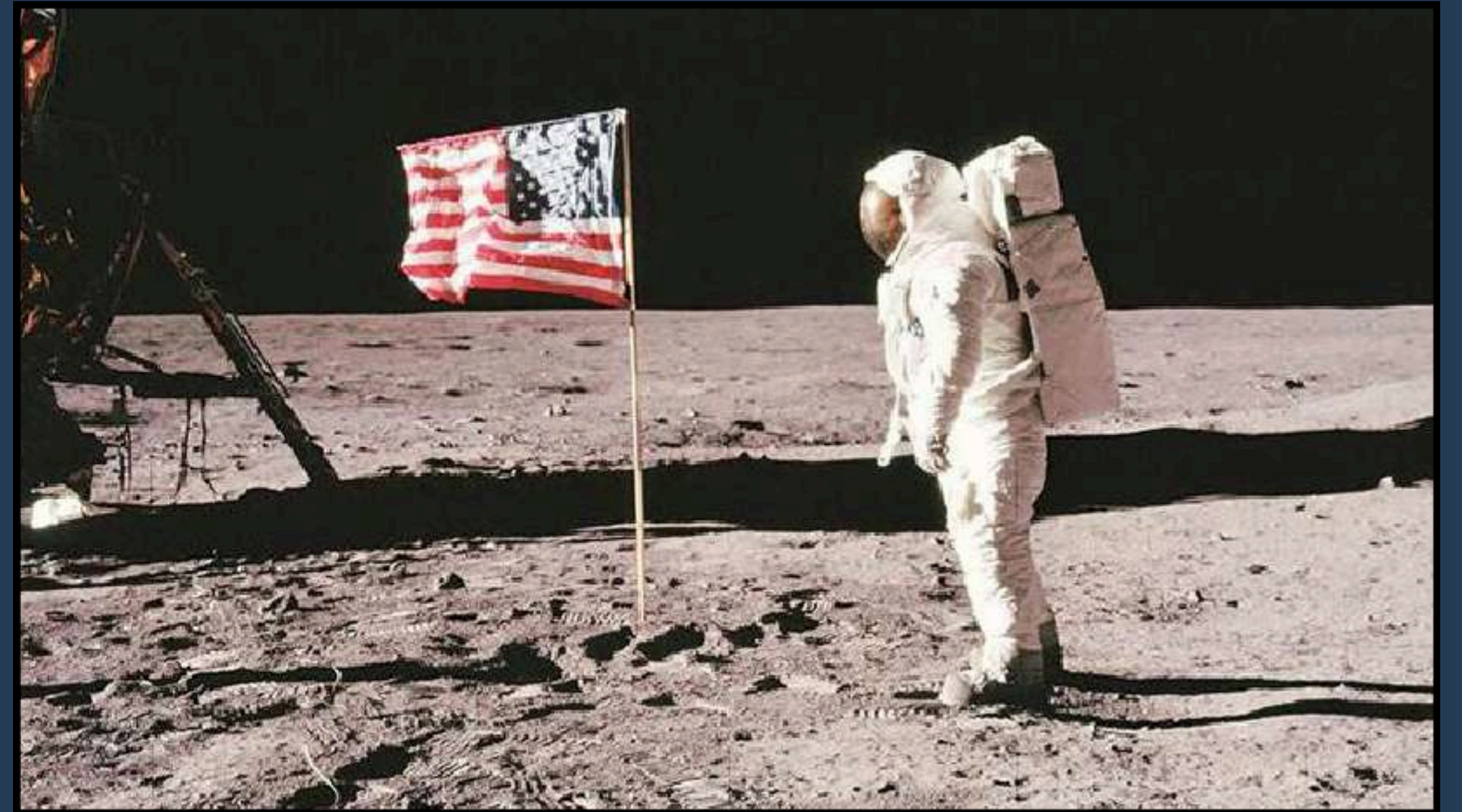
Good Health
and Well-being

Personal Fulfillment
and Happiness

Community and Social Impact

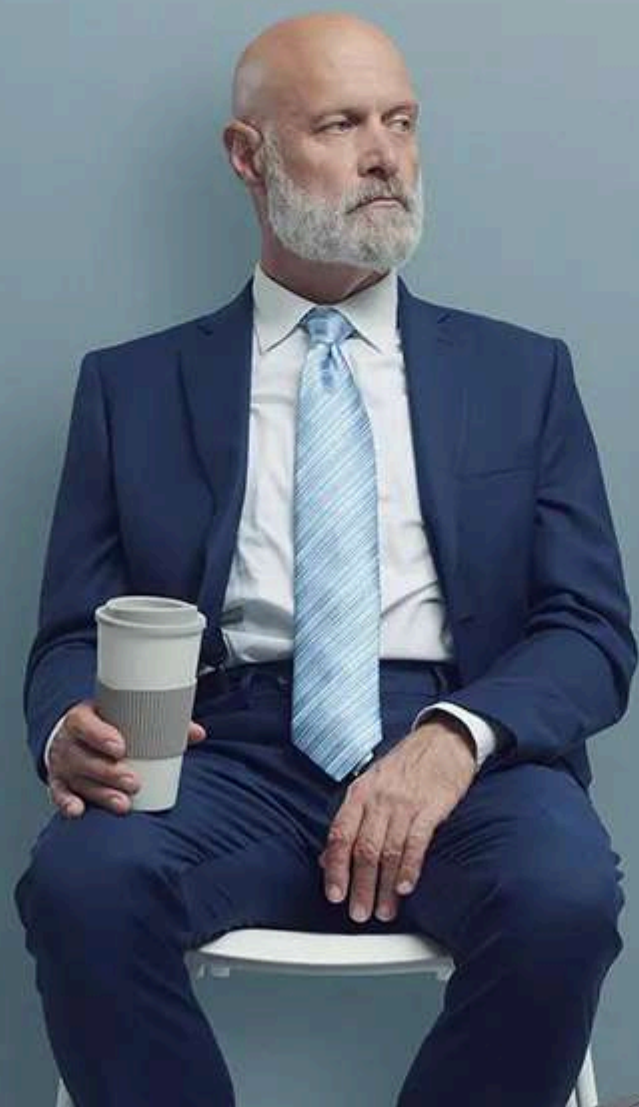
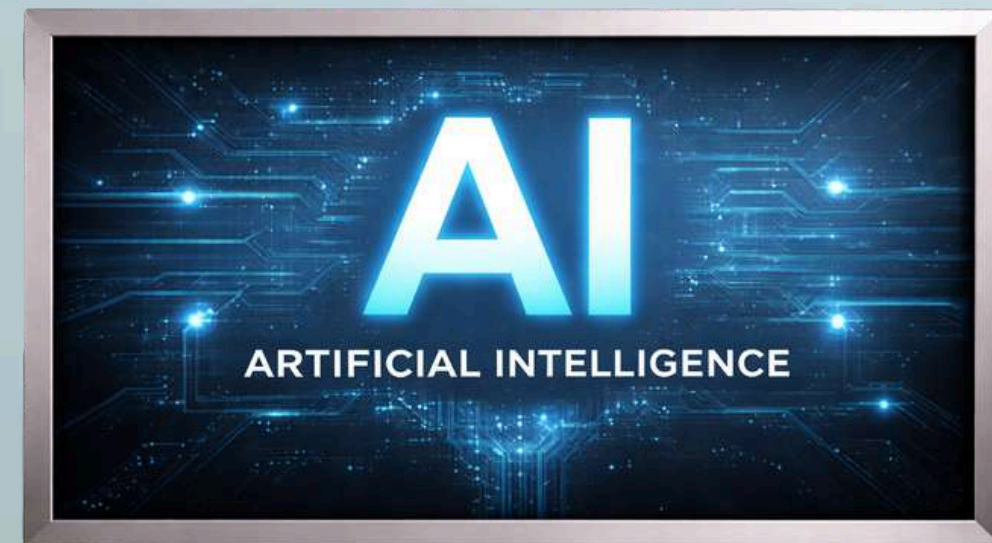


1903



1969

Job →
interview



A group of students are gathered around a table in a classroom, working on a red robot. One student is pointing at the robot's internal components, which include a green circuit board and various wires. The background shows a bright window with a view of a city. The text "Innovation & Adaptation" is overlaid on the image in a large, bold, blue font.

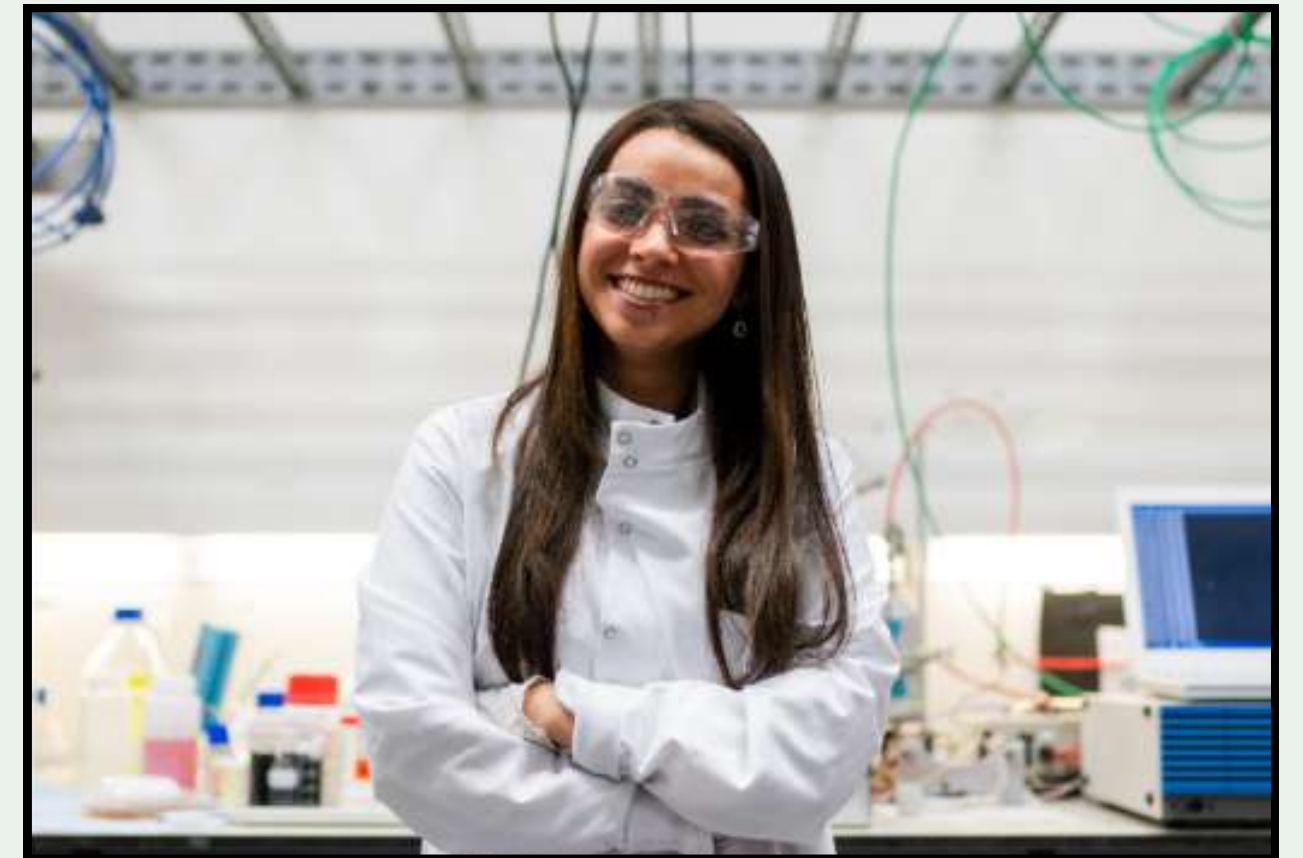
Innovation & Adaptation

Core Skills 2025

1. Analytical thinking
2. Resilience, flexibility and agility
3. Leadership and social influence
4. Creative thinking
5. Motivation and self-awareness
- 6. Technological literacy**
7. Empathy and active listening
8. Curiosity and lifelong learning
9. Talent management
10. Service orientation and customer service

Importance of Career Exploration

Identifying aptitudes, interests,
passion, and lifestyle



Importance of Career Exploration

Increased confidence and
motivation



Importance of Career Exploration

Helps avoid being overwhelmed
by choices



A row of several glass jars containing liquids of various colors: dark purple, red, dark purple, orange, brown, and dark purple. The jars are covered with a piece of light-colored paper or cloth over their openings. The text "CHOICE OVERLOAD" is overlaid in white, bold, uppercase letters on the first two jars. The text "CHOICE FATIGUE" is overlaid in white, bold, uppercase letters on the second and third jars.

CHOICE OVERLOAD

CHOICE FATIGUE

Too many choices?



24 choices of jam

attracted 60% of the shoppers
3% of shoppers bought jam



6 choices of jam

attracted 40% of the shoppers
30% of shoppers bought jam

Sheena Iyengar and Mark Lepper (2000)



GGUSD Career Pathways



BOLSA GRANDE HIGH SCHOOL

- Culinary and Hospitality
- Design, Visual and Media Arts
- Education
- Engineering and Product Design
- ICT and Computer Science



GARDEN GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

- Criminal Justice
- Culinary and Hospitality
- Design, Visual and Media Arts
- ICT and Computer Science
- Medical Patient Care
- Mental and Behavioral Health



HARE HIGH SCHOOL

- Business Management
- Design, Visual and Media Arts
- Medical Patient Care



LA QUINTA HIGH SCHOOL

- Biotechnology
- Business Management
- Cybersecurity
- Design, Visual, and Media Arts
- ICT and Computer Science



LOS AMIGOS HIGH SCHOOL

- Automotive Technology
- Culinary and Hospitality
- Design, Visual and Media Arts
- Engineering and Product Design
- ICT and Computer Science
- Medical Patient Care



PACIFICA HIGH SCHOOL

- Design, Visual and Media Arts
- Engineering and Product Design
- ICT and Computer Science
- Sports Medicine



RANCHO ALAMITOS HIGH SCHOOL

- Automotive Technology
- Business Management
- Culinary and Hospitality
- Cybersecurity
- Design, Visual and Media Arts
- Fashion Design
- Skilled Trades

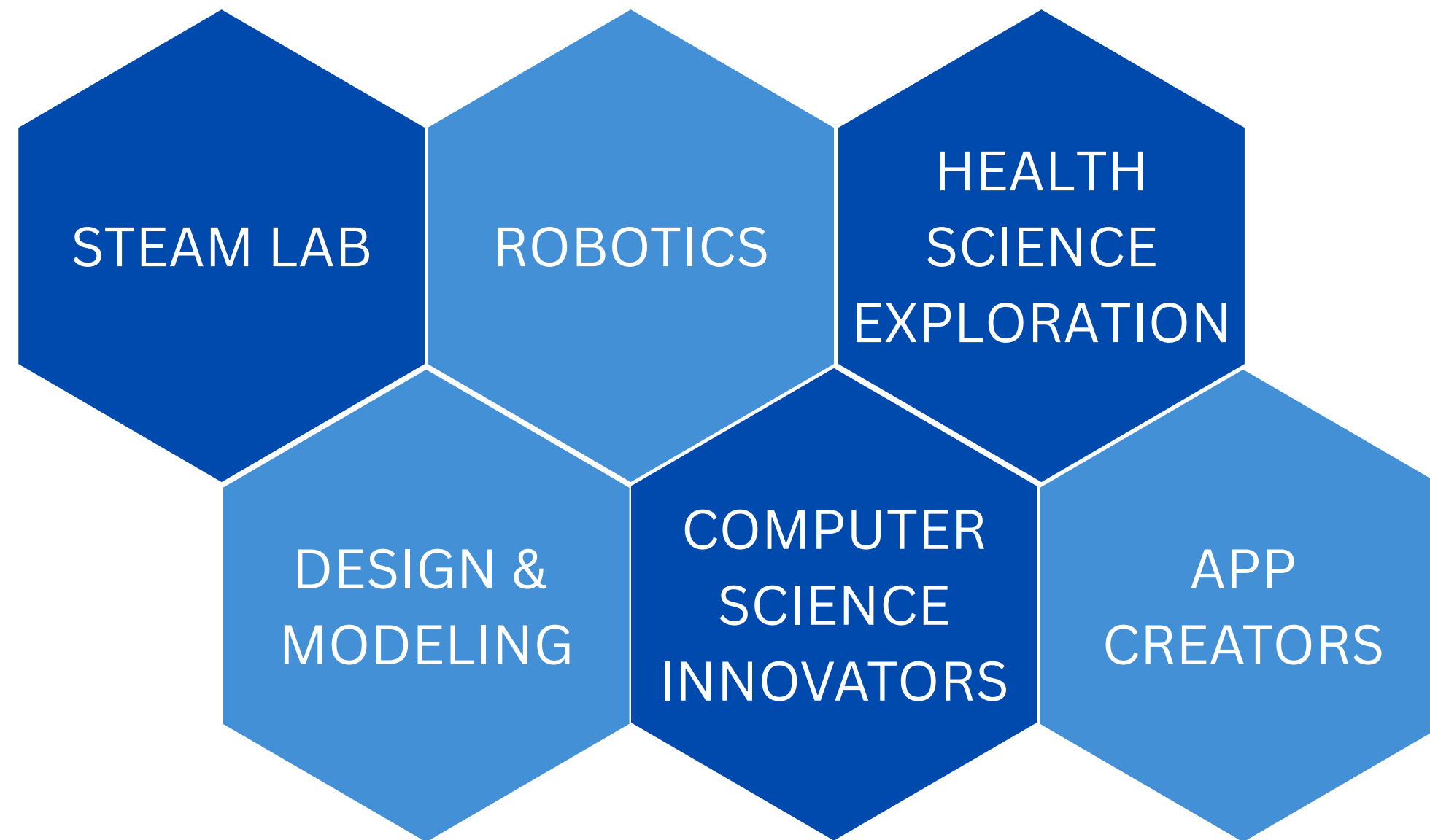


SANTIAGO HIGH SCHOOL

- Automotive Technology
- Culinary and Hospitality
- Design, Visual and Media Arts
- Engineering and Product Design
- ICT and Computer Science
- Sports Medicine

CTE Electives

Intermediate Level



CTE STEAM LABS

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RALSTON

WALTON

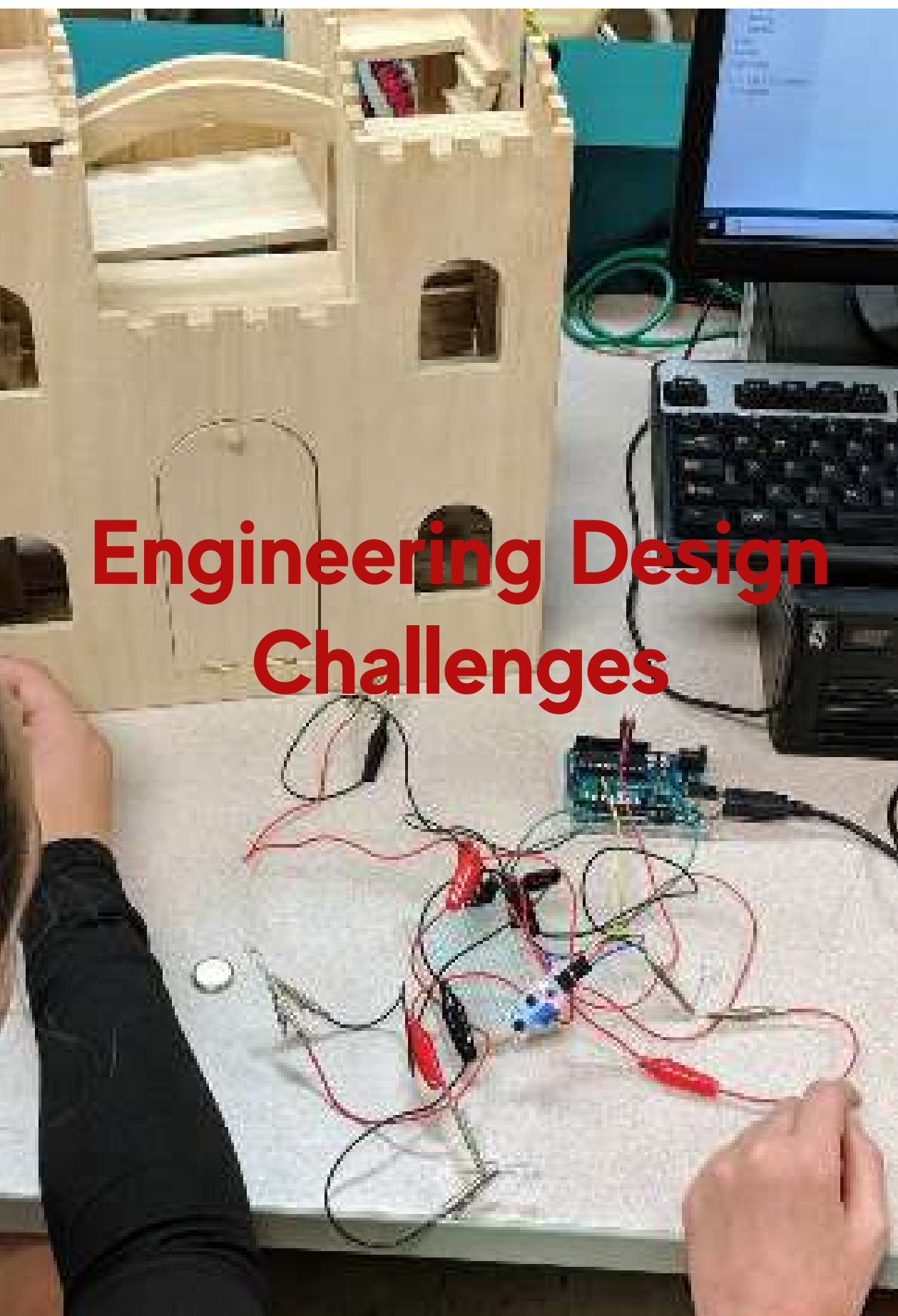


- APP CREATORS
- AUTOMATION & ROBOTICS
- DESIGN & MODELING
- MEDICAL DETECTIVES

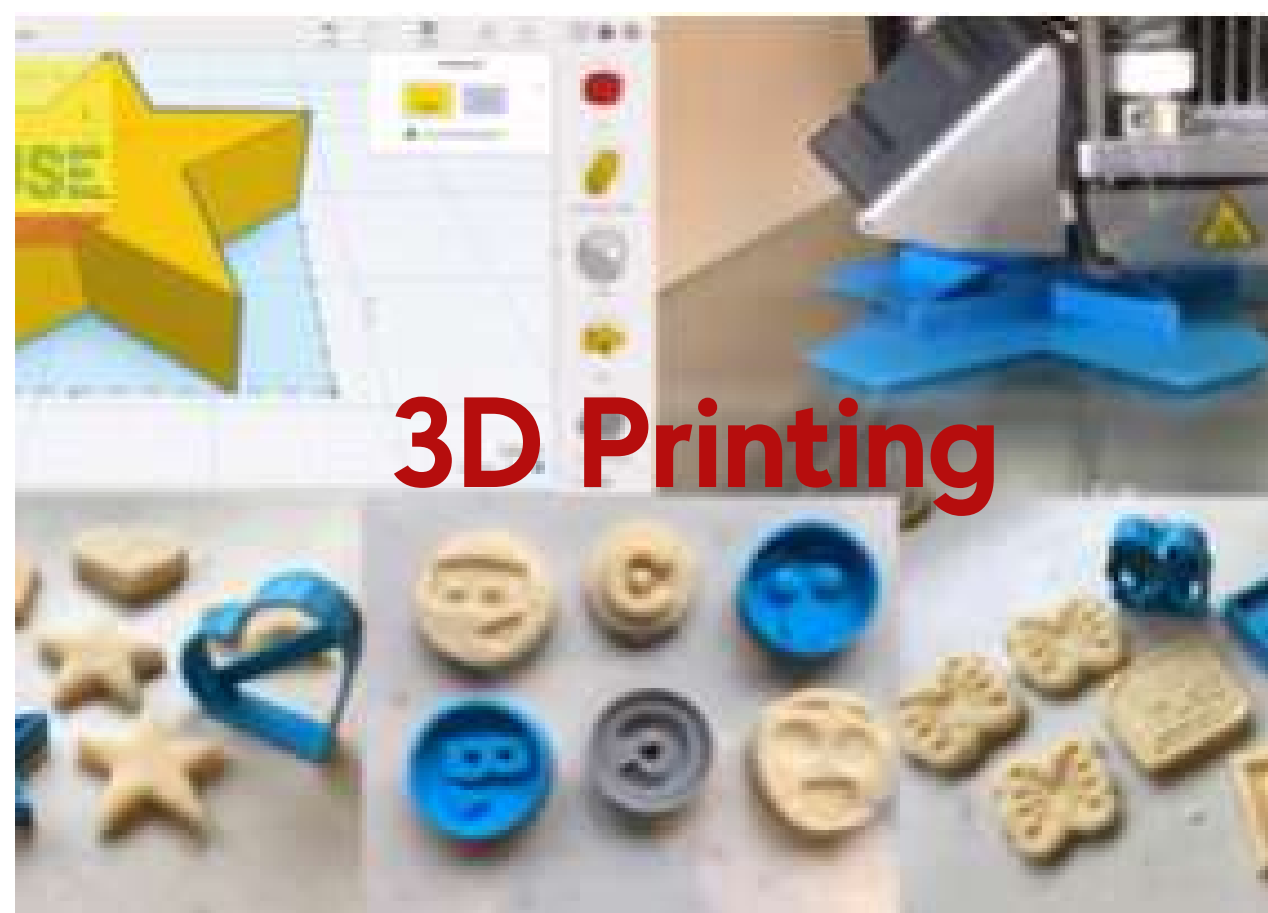


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CTE STEAM



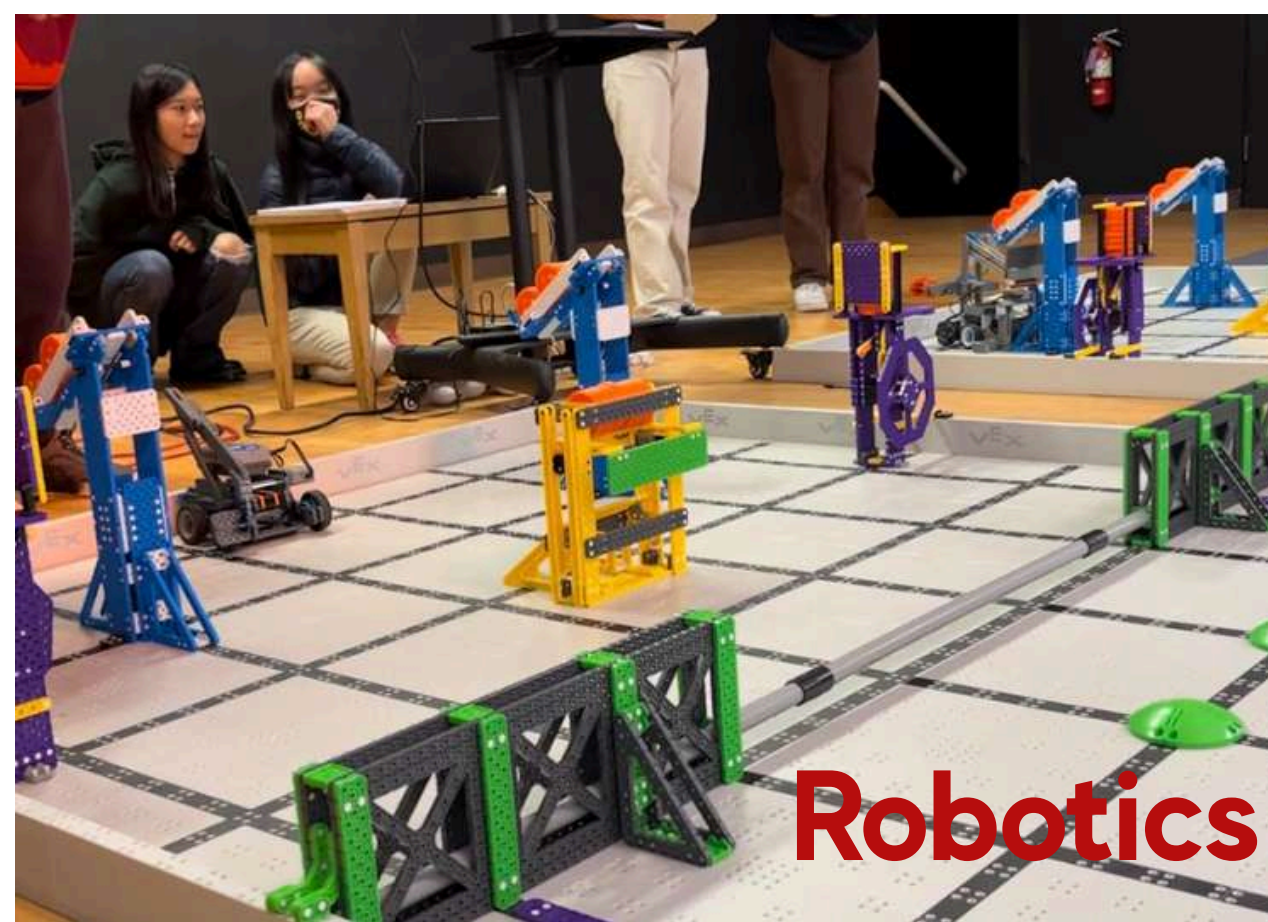
Engineering Design Challenges



3D Printing



Game Design



Robotics



Labs

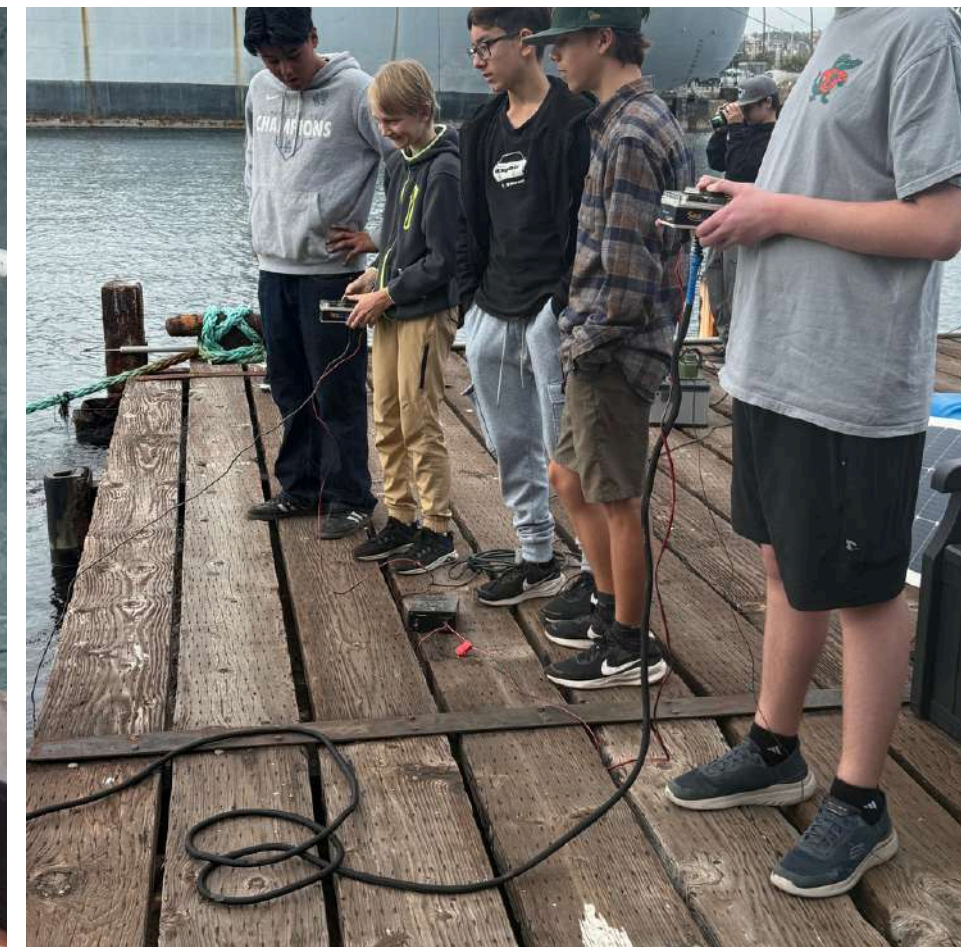
STEAM WORK-BASED EXPERIENCES



Field Trip



Competition



Guest Speaker



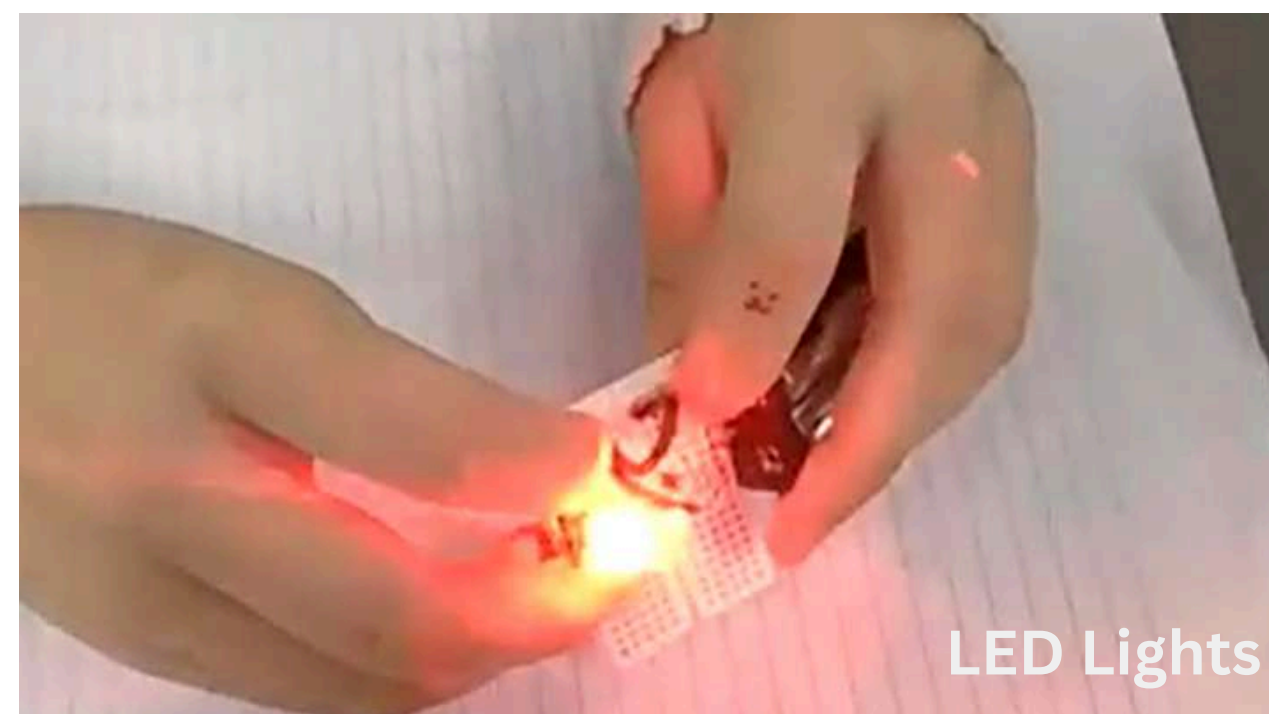
Cyber Patriot Team



Sofi Stadium



Robot Hand



LED Lights



Rollercoaster

District-wide Comprehensive College and Career Counseling Implementation Plan



Smoothing the Path for Students

When students are signed in to CaliforniaColleges.edu, educators can track their activities and application progress using built-in reporting tools.



Strategic, sequenced guidance lessons delivered by certificated School Counselors for all students in grades 7-12.

Career Exploration in Elementary School *should:*

Spark Curiosity



Ignite a sense of wonder about the world of work.

Showcase Opportunities



Expose students to a wide range of possibilities.

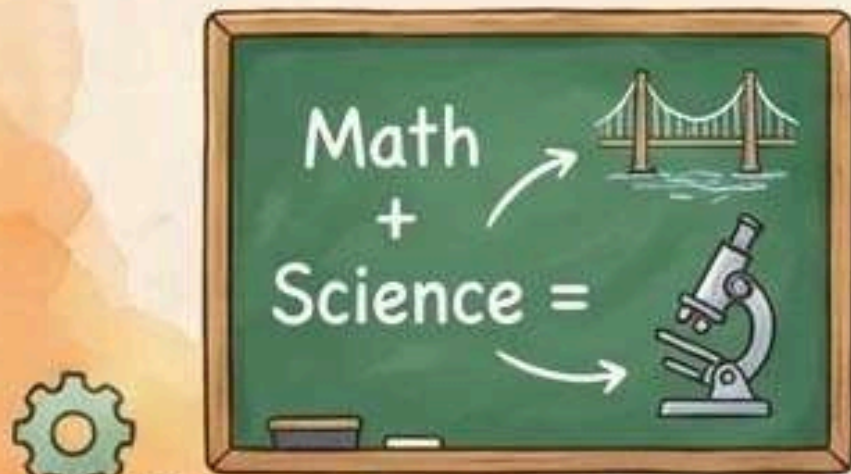
Foster Self-Awareness



Help children understand their interests and strengths.

Suggested Activities

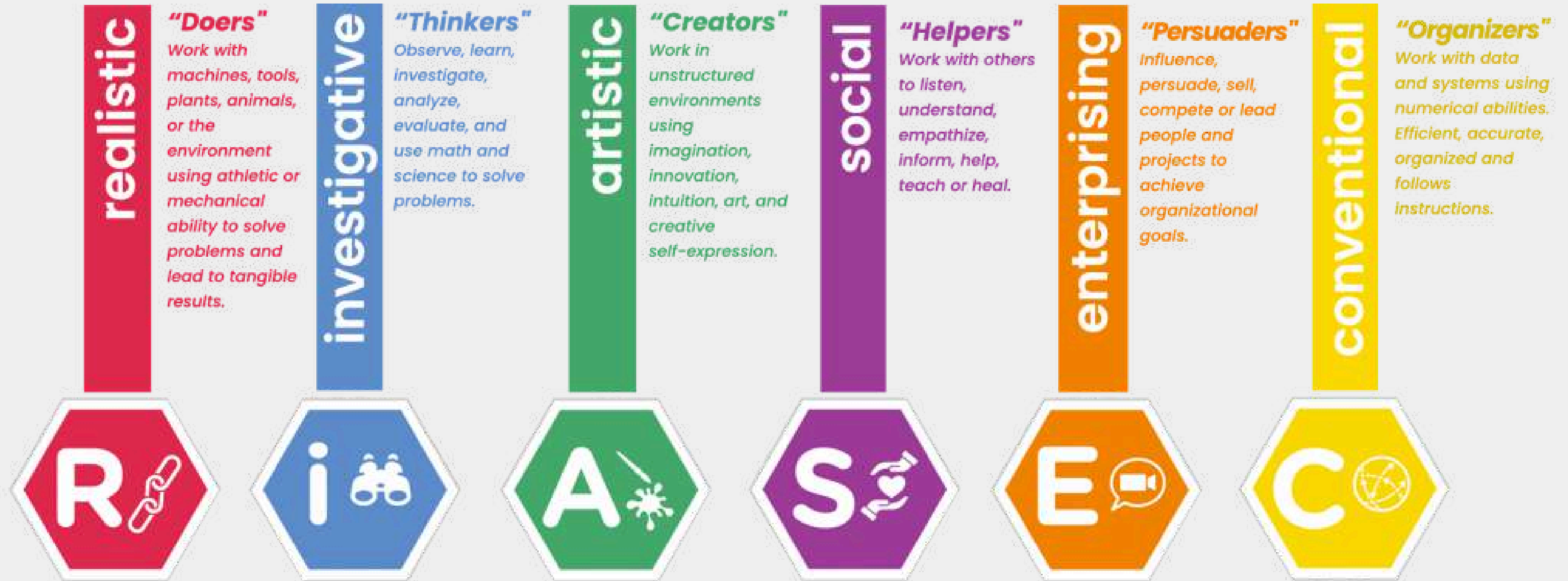
1. Read Stories and books that highlight career options
2. Use realia: hats, uniforms, and tools (items they can touch and feel):
3. Ongoing Career Conversations—share your journey and encourage other family members to share
4. Connect Academic content to future goals and the world of work.
5. Acknowledge and verbally reinforce your student's interests, strengths, and natural skills.



**How can you help
your child explore
the world and their
interests?**



HOLLAND's CODES





In Orange County: botanical gardens, discovery centers, air space museums, nature classes

- [Arboretum and Botanical Garden at Cal State Fullerton](#), 1900 Associated Rd, Fullerton
- [Niguel Botanical Preserve](#), 29751 Crown Valley Pkwy, Laguna Niguel
- [Sherman Library & Gardens](#), 2647 East Coast Hwy, Corona Del Mar
- [Discovery Cube](#), 2500 N Main St, Santa Ana
- [Lyon Air Museum](#), 19300 Ike Jones Road Santa Ana
- [Shipleigh Nature Center](#), 17851 Goldenwest St, Huntington Beach
- [Tanaka Farms](#), 5380 3/4 University Dr, Irvine
- [Environmental Nature Center](#), 1601 E 16th St, Newport Beach
- [OC Great Park Farm + Food Lab](#), 8000 Great Park Blvd., Irvine
- [Centennial Farm](#), 88 Fair Dr, Costa Mesa





In Orange County: planetariums, discovery centers, nature centers

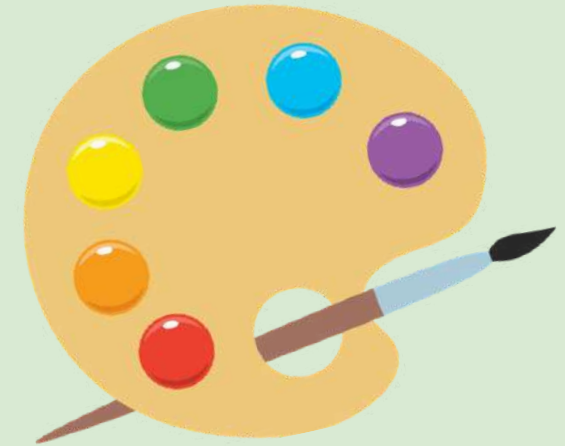
- [Orange Coast College Planetarium](#), 2701 Fairview Rd, Costa Mesa
- [Pacific Marine Mammal Center](#), 20612 Laguna Canyon Rd, Laguna Beach
- [Santa Ana Zoo](#), 1801 E Chestnut Ave, Santa Ana
- [OC Zoo](#), 1 Irvine Park Rd, Orange
- [Ocean Institute](#), 24200 Dana Point Harbor Dr, Dana Point





In Orange County: art museums, cultural centers, performing arts centers

- [La Habra Children's Museum](#), 301 S. Euclid, La Habra
- [Bowers Museum](#), 2002 N. Main St, Santa Ana
- [Muzeo Museum and Cultural Center](#), 241 S. Anaheim Blvd., Anaheim
- [Orange County Museum of Art](#), 3333 Avenue of the Arts, Costa Mesa
- [Laguna Art Museum](#), 307 Cliff Dr, Laguna Beach
- [Segerstrom Center for the Arts](#), 600 Town Center Dr, Costa Mesa
- [The Muckenthaler Cultural Center](#), 1201 W Malvern Ave, Fullerton





In Orange County: places you can volunteer

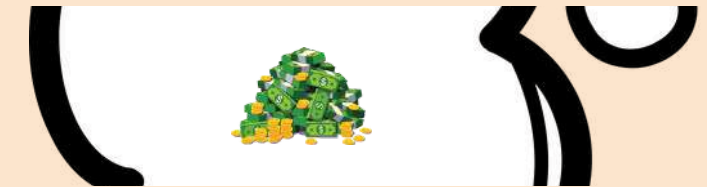
- [Save Our Beach](#) - volunteer to clean up Seal Beach
- [Meals on Wheels Orange County](#): volunteer to be delivery drivers, friendly callers/visitors, or serve at the senior center
 - 1200 N Knollwood Cir, Anaheim
- [Feed OC/Second Harvest Food Bank](#): volunteer at one of the farms or in the Distribution Center
 - 8014 Marine Way, Irvine
- [Ronald McDonald House Orange County](#) - volunteer to serve families in need
 - 383 South Batavia Street, Orange
- [Orange County Food Bank](#): volunteer to assemble food boxes for children and seniors
 - 11870 Monarch Street, Garden Grove
- [Bolsa Chica Conservancy](#): volunteer to clean up and remove invasive plant species
 - 3842 Warner Ave, Huntington Beach

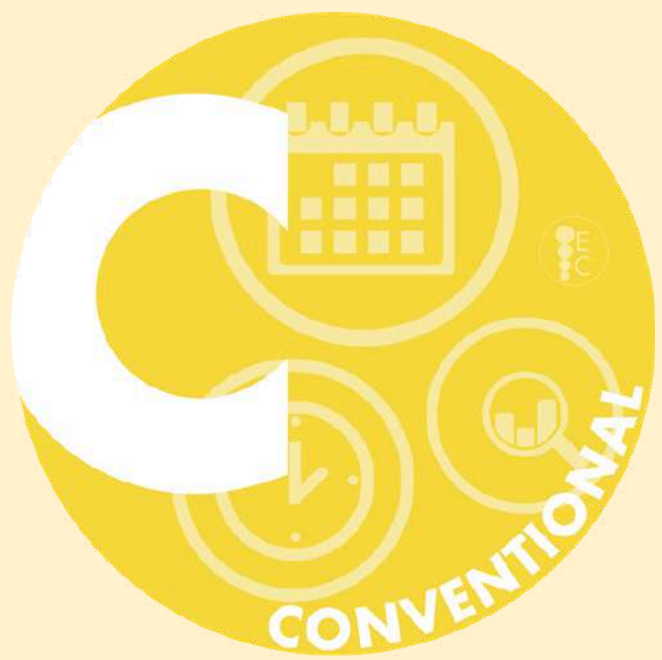




In Orange County: websites and organizations that promote entrepreneurship

- [Biz4Kids Business Education](#): offers programs designed to teach entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and business strategy
 - Irvine, CA
- [Boys & Girls Clubs: Cypress](#): provides programs focusing on leadership development and community engagement for young children.
 - 10161 Moody St, Cypress
- [Boy Scouts of Orange County](#): helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills, and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives.
 - 2953 Pullman St, Santa Ana
- [Girl Scouts of Orange County](#): programs focusing on building business savvy and honing entrepreneurship skills
 - 9500 Toledo Way, Suite 100, Irvine
- [Girls Inc. of Orange County](#): programs focusing on girls building confidence, developing leadership, and igniting their passions
 - 1801 E. Edinger Avenue, Suite 255A, Santa Ana





In Orange County: train museums, escape rooms, libraries

- [Fullerton Train Museum](#)
 - 200 E Santa Fe Ave, Fullerton
- [Irvine Park Railroad](#)
 - 1 Irvine Park Road, Orange
- [Unlocked: Escape Room - Orange County](#)
 - 2706 Harbor Blvd # 200, Costa Mesa
- [Cinema Escape Rooms](#)
 - 4298 Katella Ave, Los Alamitos
- [Cypress Public Library](#): volunteer to reshelve books in the correct order
 - 5331 Orange Avenue, Cypress



For more information

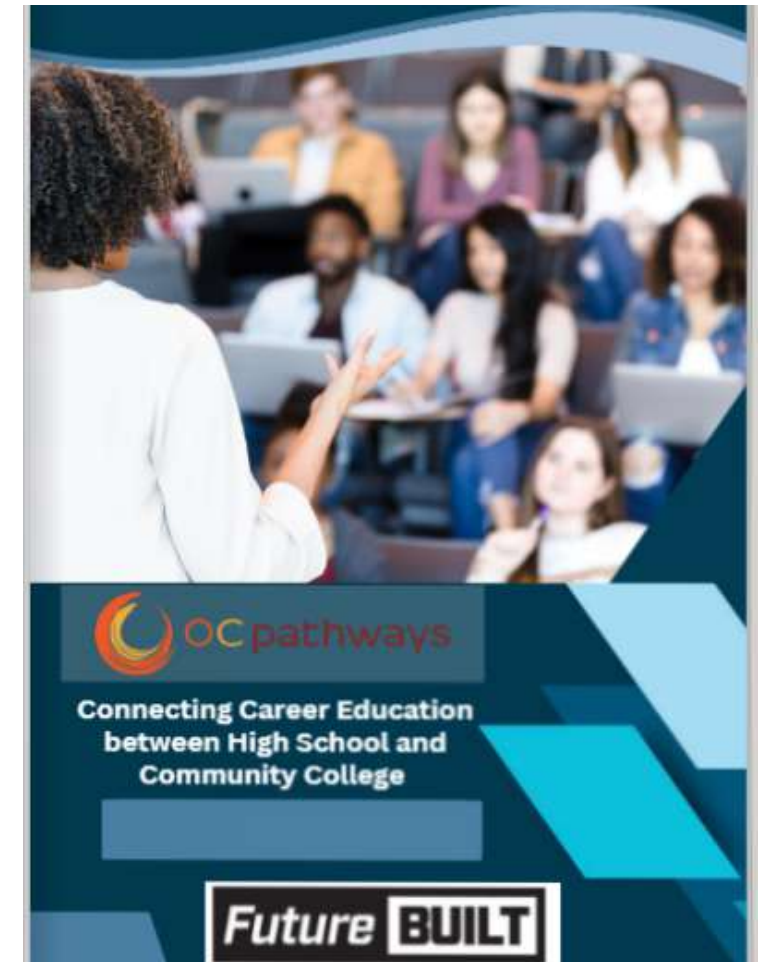
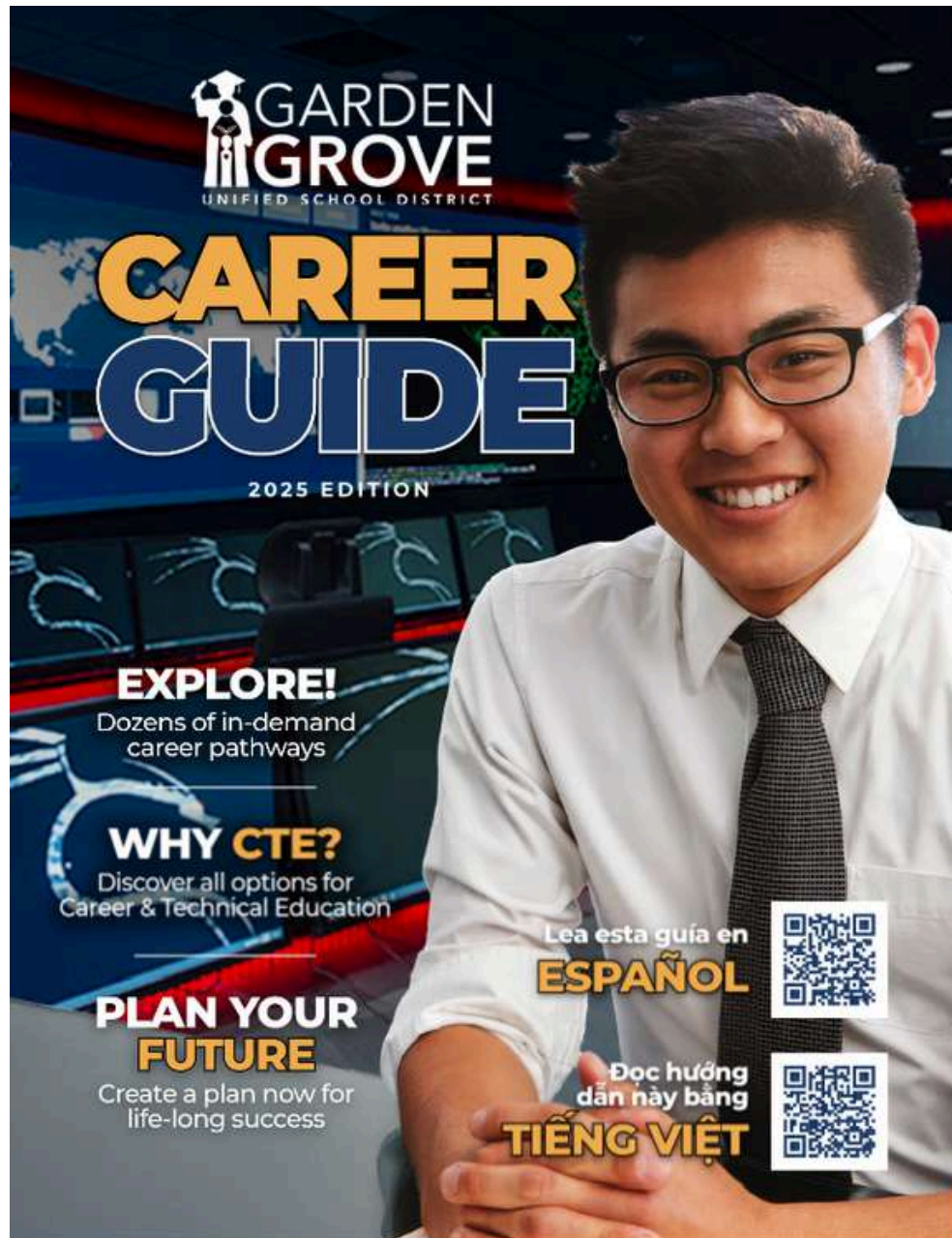
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Resources

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California College Guidance Initiative (CCGI) & CaliforniaColleges.edu

This online platform provides students with an all inclusive guide for their college and career paths and enables educators and families to track their progress.





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