



# FIND A CAREER CLUSTER

By now, you likely have a general idea about a career interest. Now it's time to explore – to do some real searching for information about your career idea.

For example, do you want to be an entertainer? From what you learned, that might not happen. What other careers can you find in an entertainment setting?

Whether it's entertainment, education or aviation, likely your choice falls into one of 16 career and industry clusters (<http://careerclusters.org>). "Career clusters can help you answer these questions," says Kimberly A. Green, Executive Director of the National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education Consortium.

The articles in this publication will help you learn more about the career clusters. And each section includes charts with education and income data for your review, plus Internet research sites.

Whether your school uses a career cluster or a career path system, you'll see how similar knowledge and skills relate to similar careers for companies in similar industries.

"Career clusters introduce you to the world of opportunity that exists, help you navigate through the options and ultimately help you settle on a career that aligns with your interests," says Green, "because work should be fun, not just work!"

To find out more about career clusters, go to <http://careerclusters.org>. Click on "What Are Career Clusters?" and other links. You'll see that what you learn really does go hand in hand with your future.

## CAREER PATHS AND CLUSTERS

### Six Career Paths

### Sixteen Career Clusters

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*Arts and Communications*

Arts, A/V Technology & Communications

*Business, Management and Technology*

Business, Management & Administration  
Finance  
Information Technology  
Marketing, Sales & Service

*Health Services*

Health Science

*Human Services*

Education & Training  
Government & Public Administration  
Hospitality & Tourism  
Human Services  
Law, Public Safety & Security

*Industrial and Engineering Technology*

Architecture & Construction  
Manufacturing  
Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics  
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics

*Natural Resources/Agriculture*

Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources