Career Clusters

The South Carolina Education and Economic Development Act (EEDA) requires school districts to develop a curriculum organized around the career cluster system. Career clusters connect what students learn in school with the knowledge and skills they need for success in college and careers. Each career cluster identifies different pathways from secondary school to two- and four-year colleges, graduate school, and the workplace.

**Agricultural Education**

Agricultural Education is a program for high school and middle school students interested in pursuing careers in natural resources, environmental and agricultural careers.

**Architecture and Construction**

Architecture and construction courses can introduce students to the construction industry and related career fields in construction management, architecture, building construction inspection, and planning and design.

**Arts, AV Technology and Communications**

Arts, AV Technology, and Communications skill standards address what a worker needs to know and be able to do and contribute to a safe, productive, and effective work environment.

**Business Management and Administration**

People with business skills are the ones that make the deals that build profitable companies that power the global economy.

**Education and Training Careers**

This program of study provides opportunities for students to develop skills that relate to the art of teaching.
Finance

Financial Planning combines the skill sets of financial managers with that of a more relationship-oriented individual. From entry level billing clerks to CFOs of major corporations, everyone in this pathway enjoys math and most likely is skilled with computers and accounting software as well.

Government and Public Administration

Government and public administration jobs are filled by people dedicated to ensuring our modern democracy – with all its complexities – works for everyone.

Health Science Education

Health Science Education is a secondary program of study that promotes health career opportunities to students in grades 9-12.

Hospitality and Tourism

Hospitality and Tourism is designed to prepare students for entry-level employment in the travel and tourism industry.

Human Services

Majors within the Human Services cluster are designed to prepare students for entry-level employment in areas related to planning, managing, providing, and supporting human services such as child care services and food science technology and nutrition.

Information Technology

Information Technology careers involves the design, development, support, and management of hardware, software, multimedia and systems integration services.

Law, Public Safety, Corrections, and Security

The Law Enforcement Services program prepares students for entry-level positions in local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and private security.
Manufacturing

Many Manufacturing jobs are so specialized, they require high levels of skills and training. Manufacturing is a highly competitive industry that continues to grow in South Carolina.

Marketing

The Marketing cluster includes courses and/or programs related to planning, managing, and performing wholesaling and retailing services and related marketing and distribution support services including merchandise/product management and promotion.

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

The Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Cluster incorporate career opportunities in all aspects of engineering and engineering technologies.

Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics

The Transportation, Distribution, and Logistics Cluster incorporate career opportunities in all aspects of Automotive Collision, Automotive Technology, Diesel Technology, Small Engine Technology, Warehousing, Material Handling, and Distribution and Logistics.

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