

Engaging parents in Career Conversations



Helpful hints

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Using the links provided on this page you can begin to find out more information about the world of work, access information on the latest job trends, labour market information, and tertiary and training options. Always remember that your first point of contact should be your child's career advisor at their school.

Where can I get assistance?

myfuture.edu.au/

Information on different careers, Education and Training options.

joboutlook.gov.au/

Explore different careers, job prospects, wages and skills.

jobsearch.gov.au/

Search for jobs.

education.vic.gov.au/victorianskillsgateway/pages/home.aspx

Vocational training in Victoria, search for certificate courses.

www.vtac.edu.au/

Centralised admissions centre to apply for most undergraduate university and tafe courses. Scholarship and special entry access schemes information (SEAS).

www.qilt.edu.au/

Choose a university or higher education institution. Compare undergraduate student experience and graduate employment.

studyassist.gov.au/sites/StudyAssist/

Information for students about government assistance for financing tertiary study.

www.ceav.vic.edu.au

Career Education Association of Victoria is where you will find resources on career development and advice from qualified career counsellors.

Eight ways to prepare and support your child with their future career plans;

1. Talk with your child about what they like, their strengths, interests and why they like them.
2. Encourage your child to talk to the career advisor at their school.
3. Encourage your child to participate in out of school activities and different experiences such as sport, music and volunteering.
4. Support your child to explore and research a range of careers using the provided website links.
5. Encourage and support your child to visit Tertiary open days usually held in August and any Career expo events.
6. Support your child in adapting and changing career ideas as they become aware of other options.
7. Talk to your child about your work and workplace. Encourage them to talk with other adults and relatives about the kind of work they do.
8. Try and support your child's interests and strengths, rather than a particular career that you think is right for them.

The most valuable thing as a parent you can do to help your child with career planning, is keep informed, listen, don't judge, be open to ideas and encourage them to explore all their options.



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