Unit #1 Title: Let’s Investigate

Grade Level: 5

Number of Lessons in Unit: 2

Time Required for each lesson: 45 minutes

Best time of year to implement this Unit: Any time after first quarter

Lesson Titles:

Lesson 1: Career Investigators

Materials/Special Preparations Required:
- Access to the *Occupational Outlook Handbook (online version)*, the GOALs Toolkit, Missouri Connections online resource, or other career information resources.
- Activity Sheet: *Career Paths: Working Together in Our Community*
- Activity Sheet: *Career Investigation*
- *Sample Career Cards*

Lesson 2: Putting the Clues Together—Jonny’s Portfolio

Materials/Special Preparations Required:
- Example materials for Jonny/Jenny Jones
- File folders for example materials
- Activity Sheet: *How Did Jonny Do?*
- Folders for students

Missouri Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Domain:

CD.8: Knowing Where and How to Obtain Information about the World of Work and Post-Secondary Training/Education

CD.9: Applying skills for career readiness and success

Grade Level Standard (GLSs):

CD.8.A.05.a.i: Compare and contrast the roles and responsibilities of workers within the six career paths. (DOK Level - 3)

CD.8.B.05.a.i: Compare and contrast the training and educational requirements for a variety of careers. (DOK Level - 3)

CD.9.A.05.a.i: Apply personal, ethical, and work habit skills needed for success in any school or work environment. (DOK Level - 4)

CD.9.B.05.a.i: Identify the skills needed to develop a portfolio. (DOK Level - 1)

American School Counselor Association (ASCA) National Standard:

Career Development

A: Students will acquire the skills to investigate the world of work in relation to knowledge of self and to make informed career decisions

B: Students will employ strategies to achieve future career goals with success and satisfaction

C: Students will understand the relationship between training and the world of work.
Show Me Standards: Performance Goals (check one or more that apply)

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<td>2. Conduct research to answer questions and evaluate information and ideas</td>
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<td>8. Organize data, information and ideas into useful forms (including charts, graphs, outlines) for analysis or presentation</td>
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<td>8. Explore, prepare for and seek educational and job opportunities</td>
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This lesson supports the development of skills in the following academic content areas.

**Academic Content Area(s)** | **Specific Skill(s)**
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X Communication Arts | 6. Participating in formal and informal presentations and discussions of issues and ideas
Mathematics
Social Studies
Science
Health/Physical Education
Fine Arts

Unit Essential Questions:
- What are the roles and responsibilities of workers from the different career paths?
- In what way are those roles/responsibilities alike? Different?
- What education is needed for workers, who pursue a specified career?
- What are personal, ethical, and work habit skills that students can develop and/or improve upon?
- What do the materials in your portfolio say about you?

Unit Measurable Learning Objectives:
The student will compare and contrast the roles and responsibilities of workers within the six career paths through group activity.
The students will compare and contrast the training and educational requirements for a variety of careers.  
The students will apply personal, ethical, and work habit skills needed for success in any school or work environment.  
The student will identify and apply the skills needed to develop a portfolio.  
The student will demonstrate understanding by compiling a personal portfolio that incorporates materials discussed during the unit lessons.

**Unit Instructional Strategies/Instructional Activities:**

- X Direct (Guided & Shared-Reading, Listening, Viewing, Thinking)  
- X Indirect (Writing to Inform)  
- X Experiential  
- Independent study (Research Projects)  
- X Interactive Instruction (Cooperative Learning)

**Unit Summative Assessment (acceptable evidence):**

Summative assessment should relate to the performance outcome for goals, objectives and GLSs. Assessment can be question answer, performance activity, etc. Assessment can be question answer, performance activity, etc.

The student will demonstrate an understanding of personal, ethical, and work habit skills through group discussion.  
The student will demonstrate an understanding of the materials commonly stored in a personal portfolio.

**Brief Summary of Unit:**

The first lesson allows students an opportunity to learn about careers within the career paths and to discover that many occupations have commonalities.  
During the second lesson, students will review a sample portfolio put together by Jonny Jones. Students will make judgments about Jonny’s personal, ethical, and work skills based on the materials in the portfolio. At the conclusion of the lesson, students will begin gathering items to include in their own portfolios.

**What prior knowledge do students need to be successful in this unit?**

Students need to have an understanding of personal, ethical, and work skills.