

Families as Career and Transition Support (FACTS) From the *Student Graduation and Transition Planner*



What are my Opportunities?

Community-based Learning (CBL) courses and programs allow your child to learn about potential opportunities through real world experiences and on-the-job learning. Encourage your child to take advantage of some of the CBLs available to them.

Academy Diploma Program (ADP - <http://bit.ly/2mZznyw>) - provides an opportunity for your child to explore an occupation sector of interest in great detail. The ADP consists of a bundle of high school credits, sector-recognized certifications and training courses/programs, community-based learning experiences within the sector, pathway exploration activities, and development of a Portfolio to document learning and achievement.

Accelerated Secondary Apprenticeship Program (<http://bit.ly/2nscpxN>) - provides your child an opportunity to get a head start on their post secondary apprenticeship training program while they are still in high school. They can earn apprenticeship credit for the time they spend in high school skilled trades and cooperative education courses.

Cooperative Education (<http://bit.ly/2nngRRp>)- is an excellent opportunity for your child to develop their own learning plan and gain work exposure with the guidance and support of an expert in an occupation of interest to them, while gaining high school credit at the same time!

Designing Your Future - helps your child to develop a plan for after graduation and gain exposure to occupations of interest while earning a high school credit.

External Credentialing (<http://bit.ly/2msBGXF>) - allows your child to earn high school credit for community activities including Cadets Canada (Air, Army, Sea), Conservatory Canada, Dance Umbrella, Duke of Edinburgh, Island Dance Academy, PEI 4H Council, Royal Canadian Army Reserve, Royal Canadian Naval Reserve, Royal Conservatory of Music, and Sport PEI.

Holland College Transitions Program (<http://bit.ly/2mJ0rQs>) - provides an opportunity for your child to attend college for half days for a semester, receive two high school credits, and rotate through various program clusters where they are exposed to more than 25 Holland College programs.

Independent Study (<http://bit.ly/2mZEfDR>) - empowers your child to take charge, decide what they want to learn, create their own course for high school credit, partner with a community expert, then roll up their sleeves to prepare for real world learning that matters to them!

UPEI High School Physics Enrichment Program (<http://bit.ly/2nslZAD>) - this program provides your child a unique opportunity to accelerate their academic development. The program consists of a mix of directed self study supported by online resource materials and in-class activities. Students can challenge for a UPEI credit at their own expense.

Encourage your child to:

- Job Shadow
- Conduct an information interview. Have your child write a reflection and share their learnings with you.
- Volunteer in areas of interest. This can also be an opportunity to work towards Community Service Bursary Hours!

<https://www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/information/workforce-and-advanced-learning/community-service-bursary>

WHY PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY-BASED LEARNING?

- Discover, explore, and taste the world of post secondary education and work
- Engage in authentic tasks and learn by doing
- Gain real world experiences
- Make connections with people
- Create links among school, learning, the community, and the future
- Develop transferrable skills

Did you know that April 19th, 2017 is Talk With Our Kids About Money Day (“TWOKAM Day”)?

The Canadian Federation for Economic Education (CFEE) has set April 19th as a day to “get conversations started” and bring attention to the importance of talking with our kids about money to help prepare them for the financial decisions and responsibilities ahead. Visit www.talkwithourkidsaboutmoney.com for a range of ideas.

For more information on community-based learning opportunities for your child, visit **My Plan** at www.myplanpei.ca (password: myplan)