



# Sign Language Interpreting Career Pathway

Education Planning Guide for Middle School and Beyond



This Career Pathway, along with other career planning materials, serves as a guide to assist students in the Auburn School District in developing a relevant middle-to-high school plan that will prepare them for further education and/or employment in the **Family & Consumer Sciences Career Cluster**. The career pathway outlined below can be individualized to meet each learner's education and career goals. It allows students to earn high school credits while completing coursework in middle school, earn college credits while completing coursework within high school, and apply those credits toward attainment of a college certificate and/or degree. It is important to share and review this plan with a parent/guardian and school counselor.

EDUCATION LEVELS	GRADE	English/ Language Arts	Social Studies	Science	Math	Other Required Courses Other Electives Recommended Electives Learner Activities Leadership Activities			Career & Technical Courses And/or Degree Major Courses	Auburn School District Graduation Requirements
<b>Interest Inventory Administered and Plan of Study Initiated for all Learners</b>										
<b>MS</b>	8	Successfully complete required coursework for 6th, 7th and 8th grade, and these electives →				STEM Fundamentals of IT, STEM Mechatronics				
	<b>SECONDARY</b>	9	Language Arts	(.5) World Studies or AP Human Geography	Science (1.0) Next Gen or Biology	Algebra I	(2.0) Credit from Fine Arts or Course Equivalen cies	Orientation or Career Choices	American Sign Language 1*	
		10	Language Arts	Global Issues (.5) or AP Euro	Science (1.0) Next Gen or Chemistry	Geometry			(.5) 10th Grade Health	American Sign Language 2*
		11	American Literature 1, 2	U. S. History or AP U. S. History	Chemistry	Advanced Algebra and Trig			(1.5) Credits From Fitness Courses	American Sign Language 3*,4*
		<b>College Placement Assessments-Academic/Career Advisement Provided</b>								American Sign Language 5*, 6*
12	Senior English Electives	Civics (.5) and Elective (.5) or AP American Government (1.0)	Physics or AP Biology or AP Chemistry	AP Statistics or Pre-Calculus						
<p><b>*Students who earn a "C" or better in the above (*) courses may be eligible for college credit. See page 3 for more information. **Credits may be applied in a chosen career pathway.</b></p>										

Credit Requirements  
(24.0 credits total):

- 4.0 credits - English
- 3.0 credits - Social Studies
- 3.0 credits – Math
- 3.0 credits - Science
- 1.5 credits – Fitness
- 0.5 credits – Health
- 2.0 credits – Arts \*\*
- 2.0 credits – World Language \*\*
- 1.0 credits – Career and Technical
- 4.0 credits - Electives

Additional Requirements:

- High School and Beyond Plan
- Culminating Project/Portfolio
- Certificate of Academic Achievement or Approved Alternative





# Sign Language Interpreting Career Pathway

Education Planning Guide for Middle School and Beyond



<b>POST SECONDARY</b>	<p>The Post-High School program options listed below for this Career Pathway represents just some examples of options available within the Puget Sound area, including programs where agreements for dual credit exist between the college and school district. For other options available related to this program of study, <b>visit your career center or the websites of local colleges.</b></p>	
	<b>Apprenticeship Opportunities</b>	<p>To learn more about apprenticeships in this program, go to: <a href="#">Apprenticeship Registration &amp; Tracking</a>            Examples: Educational Sign Language Interpreter, Child Care Assistant, Educational Paraprofessional, Instructional Assistant</p>
	<b>Earn Certificate and Enter Workforce</b>	<p>To learn more about certificate programs, go to: <a href="#">Spokane Falls Community College</a>, <a href="#">Seattle Central College</a>, <a href="#">Renton Technical College</a>, <a href="#">Green River College</a>, <a href="#">Highline College</a>            Examples: Interpreter Training Program, American Sign Language, Child Development Associate, Children with Special Needs, Management of Child Care Programs, Early Childhood Education</p>
	<b>Military</b>	<p>To learn more about Military education and training programs, go to: <a href="http://todaysmilitary.com">todaysmilitary.com</a>, <a href="http://defense.gov">defense.gov</a></p>
	<b>Associate Degree Transitions</b>	<p>To learn more about Associate degrees, go to: <a href="#">Green River College</a>, <a href="#">Highline College</a>, <a href="#">Seattle Central College</a>, <a href="#">Portland Community College</a>, <a href="#">Renton Technical College</a>            Examples: Early Childhood Education, American Sign Language, Sign Language Interpretation</p>
	<b>4 year University</b>	<p>To learn more about Bachelor and beyond degrees, go to: <a href="#">University of Washington</a>, <a href="#">Washington State University</a>, <a href="#">Central Washington University</a>, <a href="#">Western Oregon University</a>, <a href="#">Western Washington University</a>            Examples: American Sign Language/English Interpreting, Linguistics: American Sign Language, Education, Elementary Education</p>

Students intending to earn an Associate Degree and transition to a 4-year University can use the below section to list appropriate classes.

COURSE CODE	CREDIT	COURSE NAME	COURSE CODE	CREDIT	COURSE NAME



# Sign Language Interpreting Career Pathway

Education Planning Guide for Middle School and Beyond

American Sign Language students learn the language skills, cultural behaviors, and social relations needed to interact in a diverse world of rapid communication. Students will discover the importance of speaking a second language to participate in the political, scientific and technological changes that are occurring globally.

## Occupational Information

The following represent occupations within this field and their average annual earnings and openings based on data from the Washington State Employment Security Department. For more information about these and other occupations within this field, go to <https://esd.wa.gov/labormarketinfo>

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Washington State Projected Openings</u>		<u>Earnings</u>
	<u>2016-2026</u>		
Interpreter and Translator	45		\$47,745 yr.
Child Care Worker	2,250		\$23,497 yr.
Para-Educator	1,271		\$30,304 yr.
Teacher, Career and Technical Education	101		\$60,990 yr.

## Post-High School Connections

The following courses within this program of study may be eligible for college credit at local colleges if students earn a "C" or better:

<u>High School Course</u>	<u>Credits Possible</u>	<u>College</u>	<u>College Course</u>
American Sign Language I	5	Seattle Central College	ASL 101
American Sign Language II	5	Seattle Central College	ASL 102
American Sign Language III	5	Seattle Central College	ASL 103

## Student Leadership Development



[Skills USA](http://SkillsUSA.org) serves high school and college students enrolled in training programs in trade, technical and skilled service occupations. Programs include local, state and national competitions in which students demonstrate occupational skills, leadership, teamwork, citizenship, and promotes involvement in community service activities.

American Sign Language Contest Articulation Agreement through [Seattle Central College](http://SeattleCentralCollege.edu), for information about this leadership opportunity, talk with a Career and Technical Education Instructor.

## Scholarship Opportunities

For local, state, and national scholarship opportunities, please visit your counseling and/or career center, Career Cruising [www.CareerCruising.com](http://www.CareerCruising.com), WOIS [www.wois.org](http://www.wois.org), [thecareermap.org](http://thecareermap.org) or Fast Web [www.FastWeb.com](http://www.FastWeb.com).

For more information about this Career Pathway, contact an instructor, a school counselor or a career specialist.

