

7TH GRADE ACTIVITY: WHAT JOBS NEED WHAT EDUCATION?

Welcome! This activity will provide you an opportunity to explore the three types of postsecondary education and a variety of careers.

Essential Question:

Why should you go to college? What type of education is needed for different types of careers?

Objectives:

After this activity, you will be able to:

- Describe three types of postsecondary education options.
- List jobs you can get with various types of degrees.

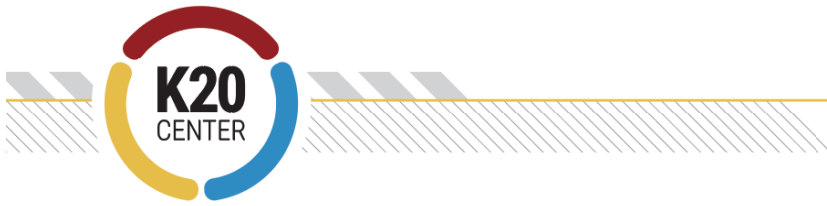
What Is Postsecondary Education?

Postsecondary education (PSE) refers to education after high school. This could include college, career tech, or vo-tech. First, check your understanding of different types of colleges, universities, and degrees using the [Test Your Career & College Knowledge activity](#) (use the link or the attached copy of the activity). This simple test will help you better understand your options after high school.

Matching Careers to Education

Review the careers listed in the Card Sort linked below (or create the card sort using the attached card list). You may already know about some of these careers, but you may also learn about new careers. After you've learned more about the careers below, you'll try to identify what type of education is needed for each.

1. Access the [Card Sort on Quizlet](#). Clicking the link should take you directly to the "Flashcard" function of Quizlet. Alternatively, find the attached Card Sort activity, and cut out each card.
2. Begin by reviewing the flashcards. One card at a time is displayed in the middle of the page. Notice that, when you click on the first card ("Bachelor's Degree - 4 Year"), it flips over to reveal a career that requires this degree of education. Navigate through and study all 12 cards this way using the "View next card" arrow beneath each card. Familiarize yourself with the education required for different careers. (If using physical cards, read over each career card.)
3. Next, select "Learn" on the left side of the screen, found in the "Study" column. Read about each career and select the type of postsecondary education you think is required for it: Associate Degree, Bachelor's Degree, or Certificate. Quizlet notifies you whether each of your answers is correct or incorrect, as well as keeping track of the cards you're familiar with and the cards you've mastered on the left side of the screen. When you're ready to move on, select "Back" on the left toolbar. (If using physical cards, match each career card with as "Associate Degree - 2-Year," "Bachelor's Degree - 4-Year," or "Certificate" card.)
4. Now you're ready to play! Select "Match" in the "Play" column on the left side of the screen. Match each career with its education requirement. You are on the clock, so work fast to get on the leader board with other students! You can play as many times as you'd like.



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Answer Key

	Certificate CAREER TECH	Associate Degree 2-YEAR DEGREE	Bachelor's Degree 4-YEAR DEGREE
Description of education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-month to 2-year programs • Preparation for careers in specific fields 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community or junior college • Students can transfer to a 4-year college 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Larger universities • More academic programs
Careers that require this type of education	Childcare Worker Cosmetologist Diesel Mechanic Welder	X-Ray Technician Paralegal Dental Hygiene Graphic Designer	Civil Engineer Accountant Journalist FBI Agent
Examples of institutions in Oklahoma	Metro Technology Center, OKC Kiamichi Technology Centers Indian Capital Technology Centers Moore Norman Technology Center, Moore & Norman	Rose State College, Midwest City Oklahoma City Community College, OKC Murray State College, Tishomingo Redlands Community College, El Reno	University of Oklahoma, Norman Oklahoma State University, Stillwater University of Central Oklahoma, Edmond Cameron University, Lawton Langston University, Langston

Additional Resources

If you would like to explore more careers or learn more about the ones you reviewed today, visit MyNextMove.org and bls.gov.

You can research colleges at bigfuture.collegeboard.org.

