

HERE ARE SOME TIPS TO KEEP YOU ON TRACK WITH YOUR GOALS...

JR HIGH STUDENTS SHOULD PLAN TO:

- ❑ Try new classes and extracurricular activities - explore interests!
- ❑ Think about how your skills and interests might lead you toward possible career paths.
- ❑ Develop good study habits and time management skills. If you need help, ask a teacher or other trusted adult.
- ❑ Log into **XELLO** (through our school website!)
 - ❑ What's **XELLO**? **XELLO** is a new program that helps students plan their own unique journey whether it involves a trade, college, university, entrepreneurship, or other training. Every 6-8 grade student at IGEMS has an account!
- ❑ If you are thinking about going to **COLLEGE** (university or technical college) after high school, start exploring college options and thinking about the colleges you might want to attend.
- ❑ If you are thinking about enlisting in the **MILITARY** after high school, you should talk with Mom/Dad/Guardian about this.
- ❑ If you are thinking about going into the **WORKFORCE** after high school, you should start thinking about getting your first job.
- ❑ Get involved with school-based, community-based, and leadership-oriented activities and then keep a running list of your accomplishments, awards, and recognitions to use in preparing college applications, scholarships, and resumes. You can easily keep track of all of this in **XELLO**!

LOGGING INTO XELLO:

1. Go to <https://www.igs.k12.wi.us/>
2. Click on For Students.
3. Click on Academic and Career Planning.
4. Click on Xello.
5. Click on your Google account and you will automatically be logged in.
6. Once you are in Xello, you can begin exploring careers, colleges, take interest inventories, record extracurriculars, awards, volunteer hours, and start creating plans for your future and so much more!

Middle School Academic and Career Planning Goal

6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
<p>WI Forward Exam MAPS Test</p> <p>Xello Activities</p> <p>ABOUT ME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Upload a profile picture and cover photo. ● Add hobbies and at least 5 interests to Interests. ● Explore Career Clusters and save ones of interest. ● Save personal work or relevant files to Storyboard. <p>EXPLORE OPTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Explore careers and use filters to refine results based on specific school subjects. ● Research some career profiles and save at least 3 careers of interest. <p>LESSONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Interests ● School Subjects at Work ● Decision Making ● Time Management 	<p>WI Forward Exam MAPS Test</p> <p>Xello Activities</p> <p>ABOUT ME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Complete the Learning Styles quiz. ● Identify areas of expertise and add skills in Skills. ● Save personal work or relevant files to Storyboard. <p>EXPLORE OPTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Try out the filters and see how changing filters impacts results. ● Select a career profile and read interviews with real people currently in that career. ● Select a few career profiles, save ones that they might be interested in, and record their feelings about them. ● Check out the profiles for schools of interest. <p>LESSONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Explore Learning Styles ● Discover Learning Pathways ● Biases and Career Choices ● Jobs and Employers 	<p>WI Forward Exam MAPS Test</p> <p>Xello Activities</p> <p>ABOUT ME</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Complete the Matchmaker quiz. ● Update Skills, Interests, and Storyboard. ● Add life and education experiences to the Experience Timeline. <p>EXPLORE OPTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choose career profiles of interest and find out why certain options may be a better fit than others by reviewing Matchmaker results. ● Focus on the education section in a career profile and explore schools offering related training. ● Choose a career profile and save it, record feelings about saved careers, and further investigate those options. <p>GOALS AND PLANS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Begin a four-year high school course plan. <p>LESSONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Skills ● Explore Career Matches ● Transition to High School ● Self-Advocacy