



What is F4K?

F4K is the only program that provides:

- An opportunity for students to connect with **Career Coaches** via online discussion boards to verify their career interests. Career coaches, who must pass 7-year background checks, provide real-world advice to students across the state including those in low-wealth communities.
- Career Coaches as electronic **NC Graduation Project (NCGP) mentors**.
- A venue for students to connect with **employer contacts** that could lead to work-based learning opportunities.
- An **electronic portfolio** students can use to build and maintain their NCGP. This portfolio tool allows students to document their career exploration activities, upload and share relevant files, log mentoring conversations, and create a career plan.
- A **seamless program for grades 6-12**. Middle school students' accounts can be transferred to their high schools, which enables students to plan their careers and set realistic goals for high school and advanced education.
- The ability to **pre-register students**, which maximizes classroom and computer time and provides more accurate individual registration.
- School system level workshops in-person or **by webinar** for educators and other community programs using F4K.
- Graduation (education) plans that include courses **specific to each high school**.
- **Access by educators and advisors** to their student' career interests, portfolios and graduation plans.
- A brief assessment, the **Matchmaker Quiz**, that points directly to a student's top 40 career interests. Students can answer additional interest and skills questions to dig deeper.
- An **online course registration system that will interface with NCWISE**. This validates students' course selections through prerequisites, counselors' advisory notes, and academic history. It also eliminates the need to manually enter students' course selections.

**This fee-based component is currently being offered on a trial basis and will be made more widely available in the near future. Please contact F4K for details.*

F4K also provides:

- Links for students to college programs and a **college finder in every state** using the Peterson program.
- Peterson's **scholarship finder** program.
- Career profiles that include salary, education and **career outlook for North Carolina updated annually**.
- Careers mapped to **North Carolina Career Pathways**.

F4K is not:

- An online college application or college loan website
- A financial aid database
- An SAT or ACT preparatory course

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