

Kentucky's Individual Learning Plan

Students across Kentucky are required to complete an Individual Learning Plan (ILP) beginning in the 6th Grade. This Learning Plan is designed to help students bring together their academic achievements, extracurricular experiences, and career and education exploration activities. This enables the student, parents or guardians, teachers, and counselors to work together to develop a course of study that meets the student's needs and goals.

Through the **Student ILP Tool** students can:

- Record their career, education, and life goals.
- Bookmark careers and schools that are of interest to them and include their thoughts about each.
- Explore the Kentucky Career Clusters and track the clusters that interest them.
- Store their results from standardized tests and assessments, including Career Matchmaker.
- Keep track of their career and educational exploration activities.
- Record their extracurricular activities, hobbies, and interests.
- Document their community services and work experience.
- Develop their four-year high school education plan.
- List awards and recognitions they have received.
- Document learning services and programs they have participated in.
- Upload related files, such as essays, scanned artwork, and letters of reference.
- Create personalized, professional-looking resumes.

There is also a **Parent/Guardian ILP Tool** that allows parents to:

- View the work your child has entered in his or her ILP.
- Learn more about the careers and schools that are of interest to your child.
- Record your thoughts and comments about your child's learning plan.
- Email your comments to your child's advisors.

The Individual Learning Plan (ILP) is fully integrated with the Career Cruising career guidance system. Career Cruising is an Internet-based career exploration and planning tool your child can use to explore career and college options and develop a career plan. Career Cruising can be accessed from school, from home, or wherever your son or daughter has access to the Internet. Features of this program include:

Interest and Skills Assessment - a world-renowned career assessment tool to help people identify suitable career options based on their interests and skills

Career Profiles - thorough and up-to-date information about hundreds of different occupations, including direct links between careers and college programs

Multimedia Interviews - interviews with real people in each occupation, which add depth and realism to career profiles

College and Financial Aid Information - comprehensive college and financial aid information, with a number of useful search tools to help students find the right college and the right scholarships

Individual Learning Plan - available online, so students can develop their education and career plans from wherever they access Career Cruising

Resume Builder - integrated with the portfolio to help students format and print professional-looking resumes quickly and easily

The Parent/Guardian ILP Tool allows you to view the information your child has stored in his or her ILP, learn more about the careers and schools that your child is interested in, and communicate with your child's career advisor.

To log into the Parent ILP Tool, go to www.careercruising.com/ILP/ and enter your parent/guardian username and password.