



# BLUEPRINT BUILDER

## At a Glance – Teacher’s Guide to WorkBC’s Blueprint Builder

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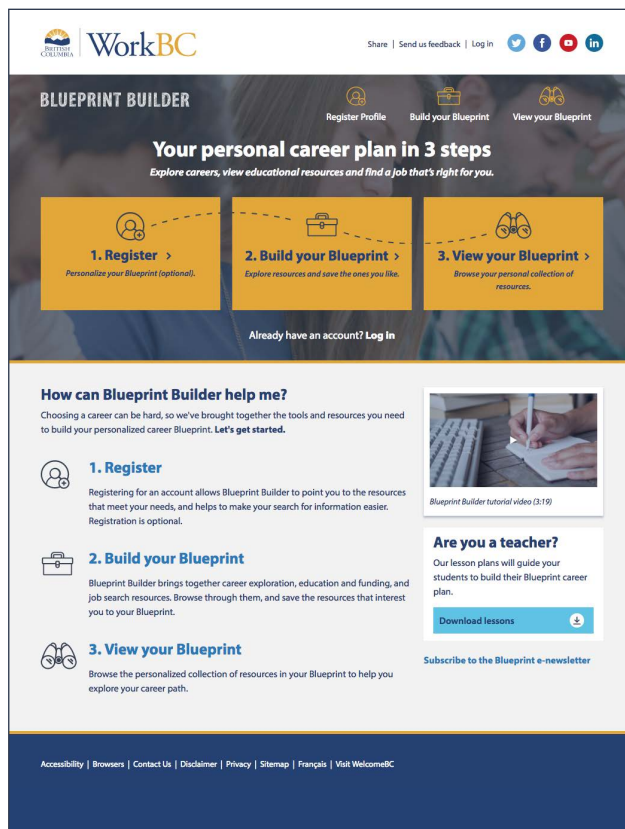
### About Blueprint Builder

The Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training has developed Blueprint Builder as a one-stop online career planning and jobs resource for British Columbians. You can use Blueprint Builder to help students explore their career interests and make plans for future education and work.

Blueprint Builder integrates labour market information with career planning resources that can help students stretch their thinking about career options and opportunities. For example, Blueprint Builder features resources that identify high demand careers, presents 500 detailed career profiles and showcases Career Trek videos that bring over 100 careers to life.

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The activities help grade 9/10 students learn how to use Blueprint Builder and expand their awareness of career options. They help grade 11/12 students learn how to use Blueprint Builder while developing a career planning strategy they can use now and into the future.



## Main Features:

Blueprint Builder is a one-stop career planning tool that connects users with labour market and career planning information, programs and services, making it easier for them to find their fit in B.C.'s diverse, strong and growing economy.

Blueprint Builder resources can be used to explore careers, training and financial aid opportunities, and to find job postings.

Students can create, save and print a "personalized Blueprint" and use it to plan their career path.

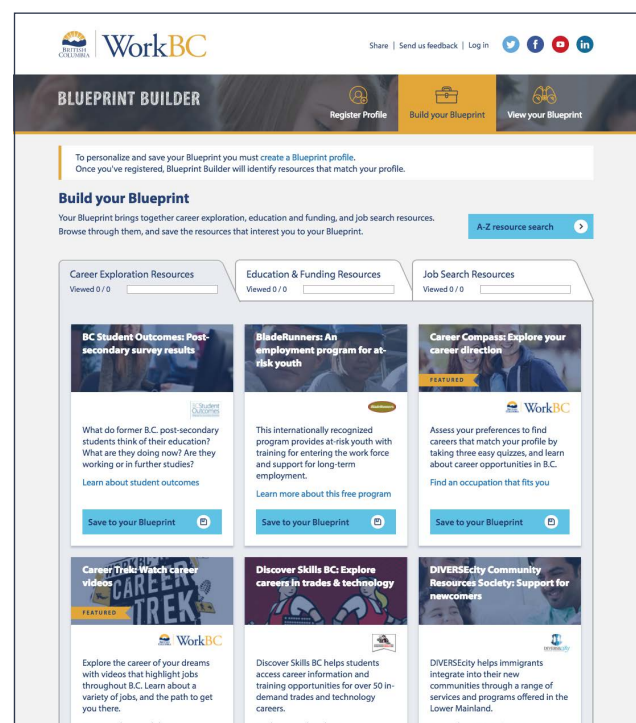
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## Available Resources:

Once students register and create their personalized Blueprint, they can explore all of the Blueprint resources within each main category:

- Career Exploration
- Education & Funding
- Job Search

Students can add and delete resources, and view progress bars that indicate how many resources they have viewed in each category so far.



# About each section of Blueprint Builder

## Section One: Career Exploration Resources

The Career Exploration resources found on Blueprint Builder are key to helping students learn about various occupations in order to make informed decisions about their next steps.

Resources can be added to students' personalized Blueprint when they are logged into Blueprint Builder.

### Example Resources:

[WorkBC Career Profiles](#): Provides information about 500 occupations including job descriptions, education requirements, salaries and employment outlook.

[Career Compass](#): Features an assessment based on three quizzes that help youth explore their interests and lifestyle choices and aptitudes, and then matches them with potential career options. If a student completes one or all three of the quizzes, their results will be added directly to their personalized Blueprint. The Subjects quiz will result in five career options, and the Abilities and Work Preference quizzes each result in up to 10 results. Students can research careers of interest and remove those that are not matches from their Blueprint.

[Career Trek](#): Presents over 100 videos of British Columbians who work in high demand occupations.

[Discover Skills BC](#): Provides self-assessment tools and information about careers in trades.

[Resources for Youth](#): Features youth-relevant websites related to career planning, education and jobs.

## Section Two: Education & Funding Resources

The Education and Funding resources on Blueprint Builder are important tools to discover education opportunities and options for the learning journey after high school.

With a focus on B.C. resources, this section also provides links to funding and program options that can support education plans. Awareness of what's available across B.C. will help students build their graduation transition plan. It will also assist those who want to make a career change and need additional training.

Resources can be added to a student's personalized Blueprint when they are logged into Blueprint Builder.

## Example Resources:

[EducationPlannerBC](#): Provides a one-stop online resource to B.C. post-secondary education options, including trades programs. If students have completed a Career Compass quiz, the related careers will be presented on their personalized Blueprint. They will also find direct links to the related educational options on EducationPlannerBC.

[StudentAid BC](#): Presents information on various funding, scholarship and community resources to help with post-secondary schooling.

[Resources for Youth](#): Features youth-relevant websites related to career planning, education, and jobs.

## Section Three: Job Search Resources

The job search resources on Blueprint Builder help students find out what jobs are available now or in their future. They teach students how to search for a job (write a resume, etc.), prepare for an interview, network and use social media in their job search. Information on the cost of living in B.C.'s regions can also help students to explore job options.

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## Example Resources:

[WorkBC Job Board](#): Allows users to search for job postings on B.C.'s most comprehensive database.

[Find Jobs](#): Provides links to job preparation and job search resources.

[Resources for Indigenous People](#): Features information about programs to help Indigenous people find employment and enhance their skills and experience.

[Programs for People with Disabilities](#): Presents information on programs that help people with disabilities connect with job opportunities.

[WorkBC's Cost of Living Calculator](#): Provides an interactive tool for making informed decisions on where to live and work in B.C.