



# Education Pathways

## Finding your fit

When deciding what type of education is the best fit for you, it's as important to think about academic fit, social fit, and financial fit.

- **Academic fit:** What type of education would help you get the type of job you want and help you explore topics you are interested in learning more about.
- **Social fit:** What type of education would help you build community?
- **Financial fit:** What type of education can you afford? What type of education would help you earn enough money for the life you'd like?

## Vision board

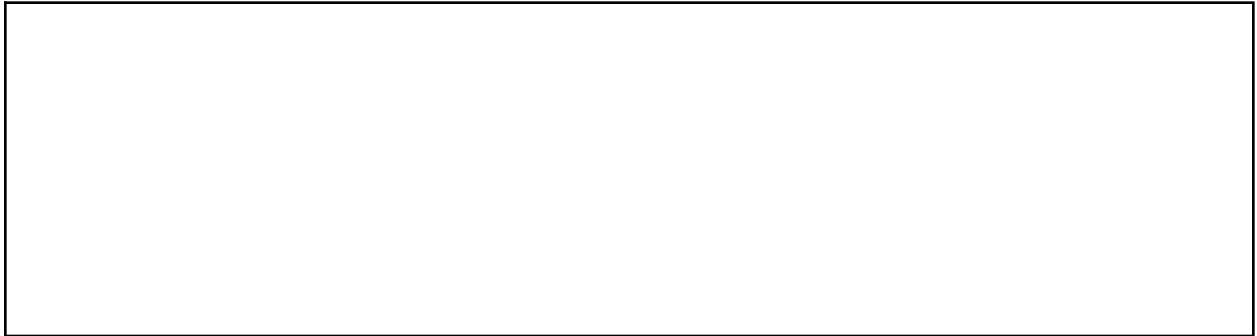
**Directions:** For each category, read the questions. Add words, pictures, or videos to answer the questions and help you imagine your best fit school.

### Academic Fit

- What is most important to you: getting a job, learning English, becoming a citizen, exploring your interests, or something else?
- What jobs are you interested in? If you're not sure, try a [job interest survey](#).
- How do you learn best? Do you like big or small classes?
- What are some of your skills, or things that you are good at?
- What is your favorite subject in school?

## Social Fit

- Do you prefer a big school or small school?
- What kind of school schedule do you need? Do you need evening classes only? Are you able to go to school full time?
- Do you want to go to school close to home or do you hope to explore a new place?
- What sort of support do you want from your school? Do you need childcare? Do you want your school to have tutoring services? A career center to help you get a job?
- Do you prefer just to focus on learning or do you hope to make friends?
- Are there clubs or activities you want to make sure your school has?



## Financial Fit

- Different jobs earn different amounts of money. What is most important to you to be able to afford? Try [this survey](#) to think about how much money you need to afford the things that are most important to you.



## Reflection

Think about your vision board and what you learned about adult schools, trade schools, community colleges, and colleges. What type of school do you think is your best fit?