Family Connection

We are pleased to introduce Family Connection from Naviance, a web based service designed especially for students and parents. Family Connection is a comprehensive website that you and your child can use to help in making decisions about courses, colleges, and careers. Family Connection is linked with Naviance Succeed, a service that we use in our office to track and analyze data about college and career plans, so it provides up-to-date information that is specific to our school.
Using Family Connection
An Online Resource for Students and Parents
For Post High School Planning

- What is Family Connection?
- What Can Students and Parents do using Family Connection?
- How do you access it?
- How does it help with career and college planning?
What is it?

- A web-based resource for students and parents that encourages and supports post high school career and college planning.
- Family Connection is specific to your school.
- Family Connection is linked with Naviance Succeed, a service that is used in the counseling office.
WHAT CAN STUDENTS AND PARENTS DO USING FAMILY CONNECTION?

In 6th, 7th, & 8th Grades:
- Take Interest Inventories assessment and Strength Inventories assessment
- Look at prospective careers
- Start investigating Colleges and possible careers
- Set Goals
- Road Trip Nation
- Virtual College Tours

In High School:
- View guidance news bulletins
- Create a resume
- Complete a college search and develop a prospective college list
- Provide access to scholarship search engines; over a hundred national scholarships are available
- Maintain journal entries, Game Plan surveys
- Compare colleges
- Links to selected third party resources (i.e. College Board, Financial Aid, NCAA, Careers, College searches, etc.)
- Track deadlines
How is it accessed?

Family Connection is web-based
Parents/Guardians will be provided login information by February 2018.
Students can access via My Katy Cloud.
http://www.katyisd.org/mykaty/Pages/default.aspx

Login using your Katy ISD login and password.
Naviance Tile

Students will go to the Secondary Tab to find the tile or you can use the search box by typing in Naviance.
After You Sign In

- Navigate back using the HOME button
- Click on Tabs
- Important Messages
Strength Explorer® is a strength assessment that assesses 10 talent themes for individuals and identifies each student’s three strongest emerging talents. Upon completion of StrengthsExplorer, students will be provided with explanations of their top three themes and will learn how to capitalize on their success and discover what they need to do next to continue building on their strengths.
Must click to extend for more options

Click here to Begin your assessment
The Learning Style Inventory assessment allows students to boost academic potential by recognizing their natural learning style, discover better learning strategies, and gain career development skills. The assessment provides students with a report that can be used to increase understanding of the student’s needs at school.

The results of the assessment provide students with an analysis of their personal preferences in 16 different areas.
Click here to begin.

Your assessment.
Once you are done with both assessments you are now ready to set goals for yourself.
Cardiff Junior High

Welcome to Family Connection by Naviance!

Cardiff Junior High is pleased to introduce Family Connection by Naviance. Naviance is a web-based service designed especially for students and parents.

What is Family Connection?

Family Connection is a comprehensive website that you and your family can utilize to assist in planning the next steps in your education, college and career preparation. Family Connection is linked to Naviance Success which is a service we use in Katy ISD to track and analyze data about colleges and career plans for our students. Family Connection will allow you to:

- Get Involved in the college and career planning process. You will be able to create short and long term goals and complete assessments such as Strength Explorers and Career Cluster Finder.
- Research Colleges: Use the Super Match search feature to identify colleges and universities that are the best fit for you.
- Research Careers: Students can complete surveys to identify their personality type and career interests. Then you can use Family Connection to explore potential careers based on those areas of interest.

We hope that you will find Family Connection helpful. Family Connection by Naviance will continue to be used on every high school campus in Katy ISD. In high school Family Connection can help you build a resume, manage timelines and deadlines for making college and career decisions, continue your college and career research, and much more to prepare you for life after high school.

If you have any questions about Family Connection please contact your grade level counselor.

Cardiff Junior High Counseling Team:
- Zandra Guizarra, 8th Grade Counselor
- Tiffany Mitchell, 7th Grade Counselor
- Giana Perino, 6th Grade Counselor
Goal-setting is important! Set a goal that you would like to achieve by the end of the school year. Start off with a Personal Goal.

Don’t forget to click “Add Goal” For your response to save.
Next you will add your Academic goal.
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A good example: In January, I’ll get a B or better on every Science quiz by studying at least 45 minutes for each one and asking my teacher for advice on studying.
Now What??

College, Career Cluster Finder, & Road Trip Nation!!
Use these links to do a college search
Click on the heart to add your favorite colleges to your list.
Search For and Explore Careers
Explore Careers :: Orthodontists

Overview  Knowledge & Skills  Tasks & Activities  Wages

Job Description
- Examine, diagnose, and treat dental malocclusions and oral cavity anomalies. Design and fabricate appliances to realign teeth and jaws to produce and maintain normal function and to improve appearance.

Interests
- Holland Interest Code: IRS
  - Investigative
    - Investigative occupations frequently involve working with ideas, and require an extensive amount of thinking. These occupations can involve searching for facts and figuring out problems mentally.
  - Realistic
    - Realistic occupations frequently involve work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions. They often deal with plants, animals, and real-world materials like wood, tools, and machinery. Many of the occupations require working outside, and do not involve a lot of paperwork or working closely with others.
  - Social
    - Social occupations frequently involve working with, communicating with, and teaching people. These occupations often involve helping or providing service to others.

Related Occupations
- Anesthesiologists
- Chiropractors
- Internists, General
- Obstetricians and Gynecologists
- Optometrists
- Orthodontists and Prosthodontists
- Osteopaths, General
- Podiatrists
- Surgeons
- Veterinarians
Cluster Finder

The Career Cluster Finder is an online questionnaire that helps students discover career clusters that are most interesting to them.

Once a student completes the Career Cluster Finder, top matching career clusters are made available for review. Students can re-take the cluster finder at any time.
Road Trip Nation
You will explore the Road Trip Nation Interview Archive by interests and themes to expose yourself to potential careers in your areas of interest.
Scope and Sequence – 6th Grade

- SMART goals
- Road Trip Nation
- Learning Style Inventory
- Strengths Explorer
- Career Cluster Finder Assessment
Scope and Sequence – 7th Grade

• SMART Goals
• Career Cluster Assessment
• Learning Styles Inventory
• SuperMatch College Search
• Road Trip Nation
Scope and Sequence – 8th Grade

• SMART Goals
• Do What You Are (Personality type)
• MIAdvantage
• SuperMatch College Search
• Road Trip Nation
• Game Plan Survey
• 8th Grade Completion Survey
Using Family Connection consistently provides:

- Shared resource linking home to school
- On-line tool for collaboration among counselors, students, and parents
- Accurate, complete records about student choices from our school
- Realistic assessments of your chance of admission at colleges where prior graduates have applied
- Career exploration
Questions??
Please contact if needed.

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