

Advising Guide - Money Path

This goal of this guide to prepare you to utilize Money Path in a 1:1 advising setting. You will be guiding students through the Money Path tool where they will create a personalized career & financial plan.

Educator Preparation



1. Watch the [**Advisor Orientation video**](#)
2. Create your own MP account using your designated class code at [**MoneyPathApp.org**](https://MoneyPathApp.org)
3. Set up and save several paths and explore the comparison feature within the tool.
4. Review the implementation ideas on the next page. If you would like extra customization, connect with [**Patrick@SecureFutures.org**](mailto:Patrick@SecureFutures.org)

Day of Meeting with Student

1. Students will set-up their Money Path accounts by visiting MoneyPathApp.org, clicking on “Have a Class Code?” entering their designated class code and completing the registration.
2. Based on the chosen implementation focus, guide students through a single path, highlighting the sections of Money Path that are most relevant to the students' needs.
 - a. Some examples include exploring career choices & salary expectations, determining funding for college (FAFSA completion, in-state vs out-of-state tuition, 2 yr vs 4 yr program etc), budget feasibility, long term goals and more.

Post Meeting

1. Encourage students to share Money Path with their families. Send out information through school communication tools to families about Money Path. Reference our [**Family Engagement Resource**](#) for support.
2. Revisit with your students as they refine their plans over the course of their high school careers.

Ideas for Money Path Use



1:1 Meeting

Use Money Path to help guide conversations, and narrow down options for students. For students who are unsure of their next step, they can compare, side-by-side, the financial outlook of various post-high school career paths. For students who are further along in their career planning, they can begin budgeting and setting long-term goals based on their career choices.

College Visit Preparations

If you have college representatives on site, or if a student visits a campus, they can set up a path for that school, be prepared to ask specific financial related questions to the colleges representatives, and compare it against other schools they may be considering.

FAFSA Justification

Money Path supports students in understanding the financial implications of completing the FAFSA, as well as supporting conversations between students and their families regarding financial aid and paying for education.

Capstone Projects

Money Path offers a summary report of each pathway which can complement a capstone project with a more detailed, personalized financial plan for their future. This summary to be used alongside a presentation or interview with a counselor to provide clarity.

Parent Conferences

Money Path helps open the door for post-high school discussions with families. Because the plans are personalized, families can see an accurate career & financial picture for their student. Suggest that a student walks through Money Path together with their family, and use our engagement resource.

Money Path Beyond Advising

Introducing Money Path through Advising is just one way to expose students to the tool. Money Path may also be used in the classroom to enhance Personal Finance, Economics, and Business classes or used in large career day activities and as an alternate activity for standardized testing days.

