

COST/BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF YOUR CAREER

If you could get to the same chosen career through any route, figure your salary and the costs involved. How much will you have as profit or loss in five years? How about ten years?

What is your chosen career?			Why is this your choice?			
Routes to get there	Costs (tuition, start-up for business, etc.)		Average starting salary	Time it will take to break even	Profit in 5 years	Profit in 10 years
In-state college/university	\$	X ___ years=				
Out-of-state college/university	\$	X ___ years=				
Online college	\$	X ___ years=				
Community College	\$	X ___ years=				
Trade school	\$	X ___ years=				
Military education	\$	X ___ years=				
Entrepreneur / start your own business	\$	X ___ years=				

Reflection on the numbers above:

1. Which route looks like the most efficient? Why? _____

2. Is this the route that you were planning on taking? Why or why not? _____

3. Is there anything or anyone that seems to be holding you back from the most efficient route? If so, how can you overcome this barrier? _____

When do you predict that you might need support from a trusted adult? Who might you ask, and why?
