

CAREER CRUISING AND TEXAS' HOUSE BILL 5

The information below illustrates how Career Cruising, a comprehensive web-based career exploration and portfolio program used by 1,200 schools across the state of Texas, supports the provisions of HB 5. Career Cruising's full solution provides staff and students with the necessary resources to fulfill the provisions of HB 5. Through the use of customization and reporting tools that accompany student resources, counselors, teachers and administrators can monitor students' progress and communicate completion requirements.

High School Graduation Plan

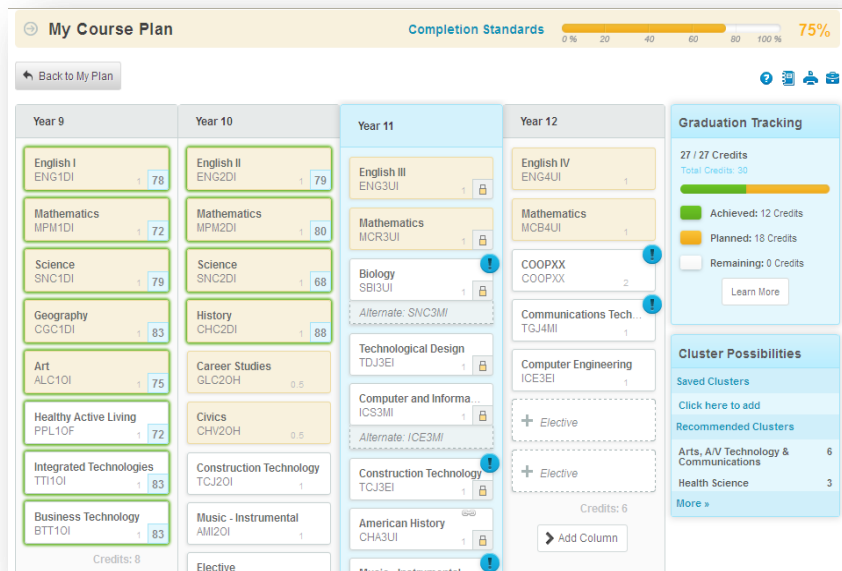
- Students can complete customized graduation plans using [Course Planner](#) or a basic 4-year plan with the Education Plan component of My Plan.
- Multiple primary and secondary diploma streams can be set-up through to help students track their progress. Students also have tools to help them track their endorsements.

Specific course requirements for graduation

- [Career Cruising](#) allows schools and districts to specify which of their locally developed courses count towards graduation and ensure that students have met the SBOE requirements.

Specific credit requirement for graduation

- Students' progress in meeting the graduation credit requirements can be tracked in [My Plan](#).



Publication, distribution and explanation of graduation plan options

- Information can be shared with students through [My Plan](#) and documented through the Advisement Log feature. Information can be made available to parents through the [Parent Portal](#).

The screenshot shows the Parent Portal interface. At the top, it says "Parent Portal" with a "Français" link and a "Logout" button. Below that is the "Parent Dashboard" header. On the left, there's a "Welcome Matt Gage!" section with links for Dashboard, My Account, Messages (0), Add a Child, and Logout. Below that is "More Information" with links for About Career Cruising, What is the Parent Portal?, and About the Parent Portal (PDF). The main content area features a profile for "Ashley Gage" from Stevenson High School, Grade 11. It includes a "View Ashley's Portfolio" link with a folder icon and an "Explore Career Cruising" link with a compass icon. The "Last Student Login" is listed as 11/2/2012 7:02:00 AM. A brief description states: "The Parent Portal allows you to view and comment on the work your child has done in Career Cruising, keep track of his or her progress, receive messages from counselors and teachers at his or her school or school district, and explore Career Cruising."

Personal Graduation Plans

- Schools/districts can establish the requirements for a student's graduation plan at each grade level using Portfolio Completion Standards. This information can then be tracked by the school, district, student and parent. Students will complete the requirements in My Plan.
- Educators can also track meetings about the Personal Graduation Plan through the Advisement Log in [CAMS](#). This information is then visible to students through My Plan.

General eligibility for college admission

- Students can prepare for ACT and SAT tests using [Method Test Prep](#) to ensure they meet the specified performance levels.

The screenshot shows the Method Test Prep interface. At the top left is the logo "Method Test Prep" with the tagline "Raising The Score!". There are links for "Go to administrative pages" and "Logout". Below the logo is a navigation menu with "ACT" and "SAT" tabs. The main content area is titled "Welcome Frank McWilliams" and "My Account". It features a "Quiz Scores" tab with a table of quiz results. The table has columns for Quiz Name, Strength (indicated by a colored circle), Number Of Questions Correct, Number Of Questions, Percentage, MTP Norm, and Differential. The data is as follows:

Quiz Name	Strength	Number Of Questions Correct	Number Of Questions	Percentage	MTP Norm	Differential
Slope	Red	7	16	43.75%	59.01%	-15.26
Absolute Value	Green	7	12	58.33%	57.69%	0.65
"Strange Symbol" Questions	Red	6	12	50.00%	55.77%	-5.77
Exponents	Red	6	16	37.50%	56.42%	-18.92
Ratios	Red	6	18	33.33%	67.74%	-34.41
Be Careful with Fractions and Negatives	Red	5	20	25.00%	50.20%	-25.20
Plug in numbers	Red	4	8	50.00%	53.09%	-3.09
Functions	Red	4	12	33.33%	62.69%	-29.35
Percents	Red	3	8	37.50%	53.44%	-15.94
Proportions	Red	3	12	25.00%	62.46%	-37.46

At the bottom of the table, there are navigation controls showing "1/3" and "10".

High School Exit Survey

Educators can make available a customized High School Exit Survey for students.

Financial Literacy

- Students can learn about federal financial aid as well as private scholarships and financial aid packages using [Career Cruising](#).
- Schools can also offer a comprehensive financial literacy curriculum through [The Real Game](#).

The Be Real Game 2.1 Digital Edition
United States
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My Monthly Budget

Name: **Bryna Gelman**
Job Title: **Small Business Owner**

Instructions: Begin with the *My Monthly Expenses* tab. When it is complete move to the *My Monthly Budget* tab. When you have a balanced budget view *Where My Money Goes*. To balance your budget and maintain an acceptable (to you) level of *Savings*, you can return anytime to *My Lifestyle Choices* and *My Life/Work Balance* and change answers.
[Go to Lifestyle Choices](#)

My Monthly Expenses | **My Monthly Budget** | Where Does My Money Go?

Make sure *Gross Monthly Earnings* below match your current *Role Profile*. Check that your *Deductions* and (if you have one) your *Partner's Net Monthly Income* are calculated accurately based on your *Role History*. Enter *Supplemental Income*, if you have any. Finally, enter the amount you want to put in your *Savings Account* monthly ([Savings Calculator](#)).

If your *Monthly Balance* is negative (-) the number will be **red**. You can't proceed until you balance your budget (number is **black**). You could return to *My Lifestyle Choices* and change houses or cars, or remove leisure items or expensive leisure activities. You could go to *My Monthly Expenses* and reduce clothing, food or miscellaneous expenses. You could get more income using some leisure time for a part-time job, or turning a hobby into an income producer.

A) Gross Monthly Earnings	\$ 2800.00
B) Deductions (for income tax, pension, benefits, etc.)	\$ - 840.00
C) Partner's Net Monthly Income (after deductions)	\$ + 0.00
D) Supplemental Income (if applicable)	\$ + 3000
E) Savings Account Financial planners recommend saving 10% of their gross monthly earnings in savings and/or retirement accounts.	\$ - 430
F) Net Monthly Income (A + C + D) - (B + E) = F	\$ = 4530.00
Total Monthly Expenses (from My Monthly Expenses tab)	\$ - 2150.00
Monthly Balance	\$ 2380.00

If your *Monthly Balance* is negative (red), go back to *Monthly Expenses* or *My Lifestyle Choices* and make changes until your balance is \$0 or greater.

Want a quick demo? Questions?
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