You are graduating – then what?

Name: _________________________________  Date: ___________________

Look at the options below – check off the ones you are most interested in.

_______ FIND A JOB
• Part-time (20 hours per week) or full-time (40 hours per week) job
• Look at job listings (help wanted), ask for and submit a completed application
• Go on an interview, be offered and accept a position
• Retail, food services and cleaning jobs.

_______ ON THE JOB TRAINING
• Part-time (20 hours per week) or full-time (40 hours per week) job that trains you while you work
• Employer will pay you while you learn
• Look at job listings (help wanted), ask for and submit a completed application
• Go on an interview, be offered and accept a position
• Hotels, cable installation, appliance repair, auto detailing and food services positions

_______ APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS
• Complete an apprenticeship
• Work “under” a licensed tradesperson while you continue to learn
• Log a required amount of hours as an apprentice and take a test to become certified in your trade
• Bricklayers, Electricians, Carpenters and Plumbers.
• Apply for an apprenticeship and become licensed through the state.

_______ SHORT TERM TRAINING
• Trade schools or in certificate programs through community colleges and/or private schools
• Lead to a certificate in a specific type of work
• Apply to these programs, in some cases fill out a FAFSA and once accepted, you will be in a program for anywhere from 9 months to 18 months
• Culinary Arts, Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), Cosmetology/Barber, Phlebotomy and HVAC.

_______ COMMUNITY COLLEGE
• College level academic courses leading to an Associate’s Degree
• Attend full time (2 years to complete a degree) or part time (3 or more years to complete a degree)
• Associate’s Degrees can be earned in a variety of subjects including Early Childhood Education, Computer Support, Patient Care, Accounting, Lab Assistant, Paralegal, Criminal Justice, Communications and more
• Credits earned in an Associate’s Degree can be transferred to four year colleges and universities

_______ STATE OR PRIVATE COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY
• College level academic courses leading to a Bachelor’s Degree
• Attend full time (4 years to complete a degree)
• have the option to either live on-campus in a dorm or live at home and commute to classes
• Degrees can be earned in a variety of subjects including Education, Psychology, Computer Sciences, English, Accounting, Criminal Justice, Graphic Design, Communications, Biology and more