

## **Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational-Technical High School Career Planning**

GNB Voc-Tech students experience in-depth career immersion beginning with the Freshman Exploratory experience that assists students in identifying a career pathway and program of study. Every 9<sup>th</sup> grade student explores fifteen (15) different CVTE shops (including at least one non-traditional shop) for three (3) days each from the start of school thru January.

*Completion of Career Cruising assignments is a promotion and graduation requirement for all students.*

GNB Voc-Tech utilizes *Career Cruising* in grades 9-12 to enhance every student's college and career exploration journey. Students gain valuable insight and experience in the following areas:

### **Self-Assessment**

- Understand what you want and need in your career
- Identify your interests and skills
- Determine what will give you job satisfaction
- Identify roadblocks in your life

### **Career Exploration**

- Target a variety of occupations
- Gather “world of work” information
- Evaluate the information and narrow your choices

### **Developing a Career Goal**

- Learn how to make career decisions
- Decide on a specific career
- Set goals and action plans

### **Marketing Student Skills**

- Assemble an effective portfolio that displays your skills and talent
- Develop job search strategies
- Understand the labor market in your chosen field
- Write effective resumes and cover letters
- Learn how to interview well
- Follow-up and evaluate your job search and career goals