



# Career and Education Advisors

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)



### What is a Career and Education Advisor?

Career and Education Advisors (CEAs) work with Grade 9 to 12 students in the Northwest Territories (NWT).

CEAs meet one-on-one with students in their schools, and help them to expand on what they already know about possibilities for future work and learning. CEAs help students identify their interests and skills and how these can lead to exciting opportunities now and when they leave high school.

CEAs focus on connecting with students and helping them make meaningful choices about their next steps!

### What will a student get from working with a CEA?

The goal is **not** to decide what they'll be "when they grow up."

Instead, they will learn skills to make decisions around their careers for the rest of their lives.

CEAs help students become confident and clear about their direction after high school and the next steps they need to take.

### Who should work with a CEA?

Every student can benefit from working with a CEA, even as early as Grade 9!

Whether they know what's next after high school, or have no idea, CEAs will listen to their needs, answer their questions and provide individualized support.

### What practical ways can CEAs help students?

CEAs can connect students with people who are doing work that interests them, as well as other opportunities they can take part in while they're still in school!

Here are some other ways CEAs can help:

- Filling out applications for jobs, post-secondary, scholarships, awards and Student Financial Assistance
- Writing résumés and cover letters
- Finding work placements for Schools North Apprenticeship Program (SNAP) students

## When should students meet with a CEA?

The earlier the better!

CEAs start meeting with students in Grade 9, all the way through Grade 12.

Working with a CEA from Grade 9 to 12 will help a student feel confident and clear about their direction and next steps after high school.

## My school has an Academic Advisor, what's the difference between them and a CEA?

While each school is unique, Academic Advisors help students ensure they are in the correct courses and are meeting the requirements for graduation and future academic pursuits, like college, university or apprenticeship.

Talk to your Academic Advisor or CEA if you have questions.

## Where are CEAs located?

CEAs are based in every NWT region.

The program is accessible in all communities, and CEAs work with educators at every school to determine how to best support students.

The schools that host CEAs will have posters up when they're coming to schools.

## Who are the CEAs for my region?

Every region has a CEA based in the regional centre. Check out the bio for the CEA in your region.

## How do I contact a CEA?

There are lots of ways to connect with a CEA!

You can contact them directly by sending a text or an email.

Talk to your principal or Academic Advisor about when a CEA will be at your school, or email the program at [CEA@gov.nt.ca](mailto:CEA@gov.nt.ca).

If they have an office, you can pop in!

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## For more info:

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