ABOUT THE ASVAB CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Career Exploration Program was designed and validated with military occupations in mind. Many military and civilian occupations, however, share characteristic skill requirements, duties, and work environments. Results of the ASVAB can be used by students to help identify both military and non-military occupations.

In Western and Central Oregon, the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is administered by the Military Entrance Processing Station in Portland. To arrange for someone to administer the assessment, call or write to:

Janice Carson
MEPS
2107 NE Columbia Blvd.
Portland, OR 97211-1987
800.323.0513
portoress@mepcom.army.mil

If your school is located Baker, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Union, or Wallowa counties, your contact for the ASVAB Career Exploration Program is:

Amarette Herman
Boise MEPS
550 W. Fort Street
Boise, ID 83724-0101
208.334.1450, ext. 213

The full ASVAB Career Exploration Program takes about 3.5 hours to administer. A shortened version taking about 2.5 hours is available, but it assesses only academic abilities and not aptitudes (aptitudes in professional technical areas). For the most useful outcomes of this activity, the full version is recommended.

Students complete a workbook relating to ASVAB results as part of the interpretation process. If some workbook activities are assigned as homework, the interpretation may take less class time. Interpretation of ASVAB results can also be arranged with the Military Entrance Processing Station. It is possible for school staff to be trained in interpretation of the instrument. If you plan to use this activity repeatedly, you may wish to be trained or have someone at your school be trained to do the interpretation.