**Career Pathways Terms and Definitions**

1. **Career Pathways -** is a workforce development strategy used in the United States to support workers’ transitions from education into and through the workforce.

2. **Programs of Study -** is an academic and career plan developed by your school to help move you towards a college and career path.

3. **Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) -** is a United States government agency that produces economic data that reflects the state of the United States’ economy. This data includes the Consumer Price Index (CPI), the unemployment rate, and the Producer Price Index (PPI).

4. **Department of Labor (DOL) -** is a United States government cabinet body responsible for standards in occupational safety, wages and number of hours worked, unemployment insurance benefits, re-employment services, and a portion of the country's economic statistics.

5. **O**\***NET Online -** is the Occupational Information Network (**O**\***NET**). It is a free online database that contains hundreds of occupational definitions to help students, job seekers, businesses, and workforce development professionals to understand today's world of work in the United States.