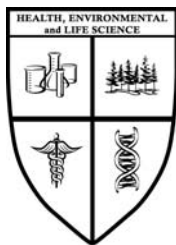
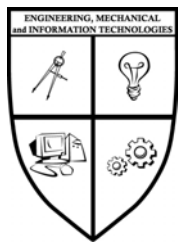
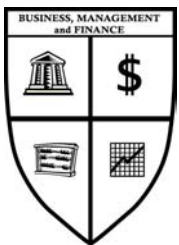


SLC Fact Sheet #4: What are Clusters?



Career clusters are broad categories of job and occupational titles that are used by federal and state governments to segment America's economy into for the purpose of developing career education and preparation programs.

Anne Arundel County Public Schools has identified five career clusters, which are general categories in which to organize learning and practice activities.

The five AACPS clusters are:



[Arts, Communications, and Humanities](#)

People in the Arts, Communications and Humanities cluster design, produce, perform, exhibit, write, and create multimedia content. In communications careers, they design and work on ways to get information to audiences. Language, literature and philosophy are also included in this cluster.



[Business, Management and Finance](#)

People in the Business, Management and Finance cluster support private companies, not-for-profit organizations and government agencies by managing people, information and finances.



[Engineering, Mechanical and Information Technologies](#)

People in the Engineering, Mechanical and Information Technologies cluster use scientific and technical knowledge and skill to design, manufacture, assemble, inspect, maintain and repair components, structures and facilities.



[Health, Environmental and Life Sciences](#)

People in the Health, Environmental and Life Sciences cluster help people maintain their physical and mental health. Some apply their skills to repair or enhance our natural environment. They also help future generations by researching new ways to improve the quality of life.



[Human Services](#)

People working in the Human Services cluster provide protective, social, educational, and community services. They provide assistance to individuals, families and communities.

[AACPS clusters compared to state and federal clusters](#)