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281—49.3(279) Essential components. The district is to engage each student in activities that support the following essential components of the individualized career and academic plan:

- **49.3(1)** *Self-understanding*. Students are to engage in developmentally appropriate inventories and assessments that promote self-understanding and the connection to work and engage in meaningful reflective activities about the results.
- **49.3(2)** *Career information.* Students are to research careers based on self-understanding results and engage in meaningful reflection about the findings.
- **49.3(3)** Career exploration. Students are to engage in activities that reveal connections among school-based instruction, career clusters, and the world of work and engage in meaningful reflection.
- **49.3(4)** Postsecondary exploration. Students are to engage in activities to explore relevant postsecondary education and training options related to career interests and engage in meaningful reflection on the exploration experience.
- **49.3(5)** Career and postsecondary decision. Students are to complete relevant activities to meet their postsecondary goals consistent with the plan and stated postsecondary intention. [ARC 7659C, IAB 3/6/24, effective 4/10/24]