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My dream career is being a construction project manager. My dad and I have been talking about this and finding ways for me to engage in this career and learn new things. Another reason I'm interested in this career is seeing how successful people I know and people I've read about in articles are.

After finding that this job is something I would be good at and interested in, I started looking at the classes my school offered that would be like what this job would entail. My hopes were that the classes would give me some realization but also confidence that I could go into this career. I started with accounting, I loved this class! It showed me a majority of the math and paperwork I would be handling. It definitely wasn't easy and it came with a lot of mess ups and retries but after getting the hang of it, I realized that I could see myself in this career.

After taking that class my sophomore year, this year as a junior I am taking business management. This class showed me a deeper understanding of what I would be doing as well, although the simulations we ran were a restaurant and a hotel, compared to a construction manager. This showed me that it's difficult and that you have to be committed and ready for any slip ups at any time, and there's a lot more that go into businesses then you probably realize if you're not in that field.

By taking these classes it showed me and helped me understand that it's not easy, it won't be easy, but also that I can do it, and I'm willing to put in more effort for classes that will help me in this career. I enjoy this career because I like working with money and organizing things. I'm great at saving money and making good decisions that will help in the future.

Our school counselor has helped us find ways to look into careers, read about them, find what fits you through quizzes about yourself, and even colleges that offer the best for the career you choose! Through this website I have been able to find out lots of information about my dream career like how much money it makes, what I can do to prepare myself, and what the job will entail.

One of the big things that stands out to me in this career is that it is mission-based which means through all of the planning and organizing there's always an end build that will show progress which is always nice to see. The projects can range from starting a building straight from scratch or even just renovations for buildings. Having a wide variety of choices is good, it gives you room to try new things, and learn new things through every project.

This career has a lot of room for growth in the person who works in it and I love that because only sticking to one thing gets boring. This career allows you to come up with your own ideas and be able to change a few things for the next project. I'm so excited to learn more about this career and hopefully become a part of the industry when I'm older!