



Meet Elizabeth

Elizabeth is interested in the field of business. She likes to help people and believes she may want to be a realtor.

Elkhart Community Schools • Six Schools of Study
Example: School of Business and International Relations

Growing up, Elizabeth remembers the moment her parents bought their first home. She remembers the excitement of having a yard and her own bedroom, and the sense of pride it brought her family. This moment inspired Elizabeth to want to help others reach their goal of owning a home.

Throughout elementary school, Elizabeth excels at math and demonstrates leadership through participation in student council and volunteering. Her work in the community further reinforces her goal of helping people and gives her a sense of purpose.

In middle school, Elizabeth begins to study potential career fields around her interests, including non-profits, math, politics, and business. Through her studies, she learns about the traits needed to succeed in these fields, as well as the schooling needed, opportunities for advancement, and possible incomes.

After examining career options, Elizabeth determines that she wants to study business and seeks to study it in a way in which she can fulfill her goal of helping people.

When Elizabeth reaches the 10-12 grade campus, she decides to pursue her studies within the **School of Business and International Relations**.

Here, Elizabeth will experience curriculum that is taught to the required standards, but in a way that is meaningful to her passion and goals. What this may mean is that she will study English Language Arts standards through reading about business practices, contracts, marketing, and negotiations, for example. Her electives may include foreign language and photography, where she will learn tools to help in her future career. Since she is learning the required standards at each grade level, if she decides to change between grade levels, she can transition to a different school of study. She'll have the safety of exploring while still in high school.

In addition to her traditional principal, counselor, and teachers, Elizabeth will be supported by a business dean and a business advisory group who will ensure she is receiving an education that puts her ahead in her industry. This team will help Elizabeth receive hands-on experience through job shadowing, internships, and work-study.

At the end of her high school career, Elizabeth is prepared to take the first step in her real estate career, whether it be a continuation of business studies in college, real estate classes, or a career in real estate.