

## MIDDLE SCHOOL CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

#### MATERIALS INCLUDED WITH PLANS

## Session 1 Concrete



**Objective:** Students will gain an awareness of careers in civil construction.

**Focus Activity:** Students choose to pour one of three concrete projects – a door stop with handle or a plant pot. They will then decorate this concrete pouring.

#### Session 2 String Art



**Objective:** Students will be able to describe a variety of different careers in construction.

**Focus Activity:** Students will build a catapult and experiment to determine the best design for a given challenge.

## Session 3 Bridge Building



**Objective:** Students will be able to describe a variety of careers in commercial construction.

**Focus Activity:** Students will learn about two different architectural bridge designs and materials, then construct their own bridge out of popsicle sticks, paint stirring sticks, and crafty glue.



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# Session 4 Job Site Visit (This session can be moved)



**Objective:** Students will see a real construction job site and be able to describe their experience.

**Focus Activity:** Students visit a jobsite to get a real life picture of the construction industry.

## Session 5 Picnic Table Construction



**Objective:** Students will be able to describe the various jobs that work together to build a house - residential construction.

Focus Activity: Students will work together to construct a

picnic table to donate to the school

# Session 6 Picnic Table Painting



**Objective:** Students will be able to describe a career as a

painter.

Focus Activity: Students will paint and seal the table they

built in session 5.