

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Act
5 is amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (110 ILCS 148/15)

7 Sec. 15. Postsecondary and career expectations. By no
8 later than July 1, 2017, ISBE, ICCB, IBHE, and ISAC, in
9 consultation with appropriate stakeholders, shall jointly
10 adopt and publicize model postsecondary and career
11 expectations for public school students in grades 8 through
12 12. The model postsecondary and career expectations shall
13 define activities that school districts, parents, and
14 community-based organizations should support students in
15 completing and related knowledge students should possess by no
16 later than the end of each grade level. The model
17 postsecondary and career expectations must address the
18 following categories:

19 (1) career exploration and development;

20 (2) postsecondary institution exploration,
21 preparation, and selection; and

22 (3) financial aid and financial literacy.

23 Beginning in grade 6, students should be introduced to the

1 importance of developing and applying a work ethic in a
2 variety of contexts. This introduction may include such
3 concepts and behaviors as professionalism, including, but not
4 limited to, the importance of trustworthiness, integrity,
5 initiative, and respecting authority; arriving on time and
6 ready for work; and dressing appropriately for the nature and
7 substance of the work.

8 (Source: P.A. 99-674, eff. 7-29-16.)