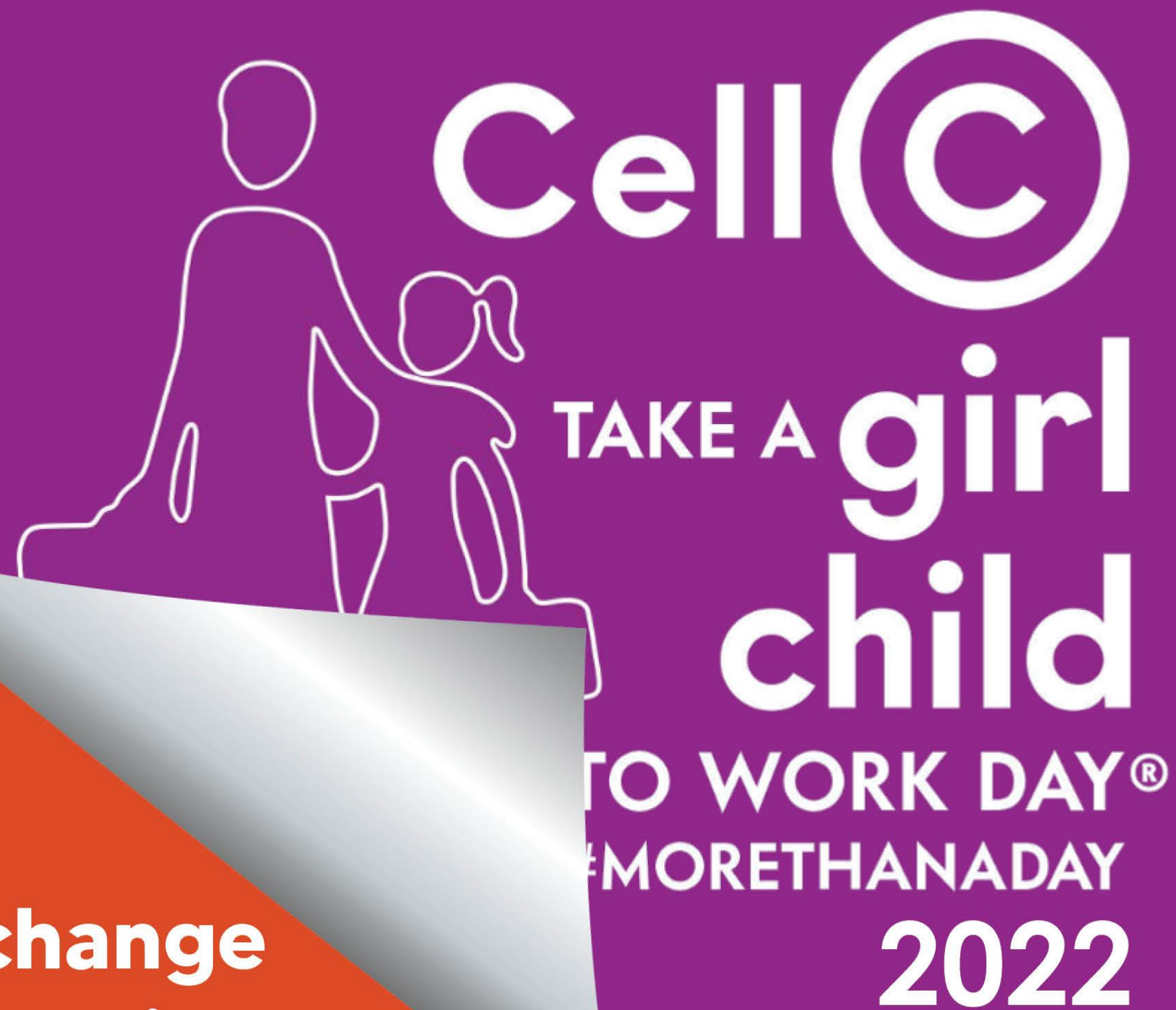


**A change
is coming**





Do you have to choose your
career in high school?





Choosing the right career for you

1

Step 1: Self-Assessment

2

Step 2: Research



Choosing the right career for you

Things to consider when choosing a career:



Scarce skill jobs



Choosing a major isn't choosing a career



Have a backup plan

5 things you need to know about choosing a career



University acceptance

Do you know your Matric results symbols? Let's find out. What do the following symbols stand for



A Higher certificate

40% for your Home Language, 40% for two other subjects and 30% for the rest of your subjects. Will get you acceptance into a TVET/ FET college.



Admission Points Scores (APS)

A system used by different institutions to determine and calculate whether or not students can be admitted into the courses they've applied for.



A Diploma Pass

You've earned 40% and above for your Home Language, at least 40% for your 4 higher credit subjects and 30% for two other subjects. Will get you into a university of technology and college.



Provisional Acceptance

this means that you've met all the requirements and, should you get the correct symbol at the end of your matric year, you'll have a place at the university.



A Bachelors Pass

You need at least 40% for your Home Language, 50% and above for four high credit subjects, and 30% for two other subjects. Will earn you a spot at a university of technology, university and colleges.



Tips to increase university acceptance



Focus on your studies



Apply at different institutions



Apply early



Seek advice



What to expect in varsity



Huge classes



Attendance is voluntary



You control your time



No late submissions



More library visits



A better social life



What is a Gap Year?

Things you can do during a gap year



Volunteer



Get a job or internship



Develop new skills

Varsity vs. Gap Year



Varsity

A high-level educational institution where students study to obtain qualifications that allow them to enter the working world per their field of study. A place where academic research is done.



Gap year

A gap year is a semester or full year of experiential learning, usually taken after Matric. It gives students a break from academics to discover themselves and consider what kind of education and career they want to pursue.

“What to do if you can't study after matric”



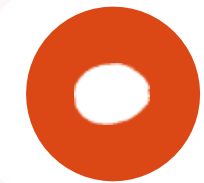


Advantages vs. Disadvantages of taking a Gap Year

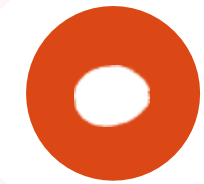
Advantages



Time to pursue your passions



The opportunity to work and get money and experience



If you're working or starting a business, it's a good look on your CV



You can have life-changing experiences



You can clear your head and be better prepared for university/work

Disadvantages



You can lose interest in your studies



You could end up wasting valuable time if you don't plan your gap year properly



You can end up losing more money than making it, depending on what you'll be doing during your gap year



You'll be a year behind





Tips to fund your studies



Bursaries



Part-time job



Student loans



Funding initiatives

Learnerships vs Internships



Learnerships

A learnership is a work based learning programme that leads to an NQF registered qualification. Learnerships are directly related to an occupation or field of work. Learnerships are managed by Sector Education and Training Authorities (SETAs).



Internships

An internship is a period of work experience offered by an employer to give students and graduates exposure to the working environment, often within a specific industry. Internships can be as short as a week or as long as 12 months.

They can be paid or voluntary.

The Working World vs Entrepreneurship



The Working World

“Corporate jobs” are jobs where the employer is a business enterprise with a multi-tier management structure. But not all jobs are corporate, and the world of work is changing. Alternative job structures include freelancing (when you’re self-employed; not committed to a particular employer long-term.)



Entrepreneurship

Entrepreneurship is the act of creating a business or businesses while building and growing it to generate a profit. It can also bring about social change or create an innovative product that challenges the current state of how we live our lives on a daily basis.



The Working World

How to prepare for the working world



Do your research



Update your CV



Up-Skill



Network



Creating your CV

1

A CV is a document that gives an overview of your skills, education and work experience.

2

It shouldn't be too long, but it should provide enough information to inspire confidence in your abilities to fill the position you're applying for.



Why you should create your CV today



Can you create your CV
in High School?



Interview skills



Do your research



Have a copy of your CV



Arrive on time



Mind your body language



Look the part

Networking



Online



Offline

QUESTIONS

DISCOVERY PROCESS

What are the biggest personal challenges you have faced in the last 2 years and how have you dealt with them?

Are you comfortable discussing these challenges with your parents, other elders, and/or a counsellor, and why?

What type of support would help you navigate life and school better?

Do you have the resources to connect to the internet and how frequently i.e. are they stable, reliable, and consistent?

What is your favourite time of day? And why?

If you could change one thing about school, what would it be?

SOLUTIONS

What format of content do you prefer – written, audio, visual, or combined?

We are working on a new program aimed at providing support to all youth, what name would you suggest for this new platform?



“Trust yourself. Think for yourself.
Act for yourself. Speak for yourself.
Be yourself. Imitation is suicide.”

Marva Collins

Thank you