More Than Beef in Burgers

This activity will explore the many occupations and industries involved in making a hamburger at the local fast-food restaurant.

Materials/Supplies
Paper, pen/pencil, computer, Oklahoma Career Search software (see Additional Resources for ordering information.)

Activity
• Split the class into teams of four to six students. Have each team brainstorm all the jobs they can think of that are involved in making a hamburger at a local fast-food restaurant. See the Additional Resources for a sample list of jobs.

• Have the teams report their list and write the jobs identified on the board. Group them according to occupational areas such as agriculture, service, manufacturing, etc. Add jobs the teams did not think of and take ideas from the class as well.

• Assign each team an occupational area and ask them to use the Oklahoma Career Search software to research each of the careers/jobs in their occupational area. They should research such things as salary range, educational requirements, locations where their jobs can be found, potential growth of the occupation, etc.

• Ask teams to make an oral presentation to the class on their research.

Evaluation
Students will be evaluated on their brainstorming activities, research, oral presentations, and team participation.

Additional Resources
• Oklahoma Career Search software is available from the Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education, 800/654-4502 or can be ordered on-line at <http://www.okcareertech.org/cimc>.

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