The Architecture and Construction career cluster prepares learners for careers in designing, planning, managing, building and maintaining the environment. People employed in this cluster work on new structures, restorations, additions, alterations and repairs. There are thousands of challenging educational and training opportunities within the highly-skilled world of Architecture and Construction. Learners need a solid background in math, science and technical skills.

Pathways include:

- Design/Pre-Construction
- Construction
- Maintenance/Operations

Architecture and Construction comprise one of the largest industries in the United States. This industry currently has 13.8 million jobs. In the next few years, many new jobs will be added and many employment opportunities will result from the need to replace experienced workers who leave jobs.

Additional Resources

**About Architecture**
Provides answers to your questions about careers in architecture.
http://architecture.about.com/cs/careers/a/bearchitect.htm

**Architecture Careers**
An interactive guide to careers in architecture designed to assist you in becoming an architect.
http://www.akropolis.net/~zeus/archcareers/index2.asp

**U. S. Department of Labor**
Provides a guide to opportunities in the construction industry.
http://www.bls.gov/oco/cg/cgs003.htm

**CEFGA—Promoting Careers in Construction**
Provides information on various careers in the construction industry.
www.cefga.org

**National Association of Homebuilders**
Provides information for those interested in home building and the industry.
http://www.nahb.org/

**BuilderJobs**
A career site for the home building industry.
http://www.builderjobs.com/

The mission of SkillsUSA is to develop leadership skills and workplace competencies that students will need to succeed in a changing global workplace. The organization provides many opportunities for leadership development and skills training. Competition in over 70 leadership, occupationally related, and trade, industrial, and technical contests is offered at the region and state levels, culminating with the SkillsUSA Championships.

www.skillsusa.org
www.skillsusageorgia.org

National Association of Homebuilders (Junior Homebuilders) helps to enrich the educational experience of students enrolled in construction-related fields such as construction management, engineering, architecture, real estate, and the trades. Activities include: seminars, job shadowing, field trips, and community service.