

# Post Secondary Options

**Materials:** Poster board, colored pencils

**Time:** 2 class periods

**Directions:**



1. Divide the class into six equally sized groups and assign each group one of the six types or college categories listed below:
  - Traditional 4-year colleges or universities: Public
  - Traditional 4 year colleges or universities: Private
  - Tribal Colleges
  - Technical/Community Colleges
  - Other Post-Secondary Training Institutions
  - Military
  
2. Then ask each group to create a poster listing every institution in Montana that fits the college type they were assigned and include the following information:
  - Size of student body and breakdown by percentage male/female
  - Sports and extracurricular activities offered
  - Top 4 majors by number of students enrolled
  - Distance school is from hometown
  - Cost to attend full time for one academic year both in state and out of state
  - Scholarships and financial aid programs available
  - Any other pertinent information (for example: The number of Native American students and other minorities)
  
3. When finished have each group assign a spokesperson to share with the rest of the class their findings.

**Debrief:** Ask the students to write down reasons why they think they may or may not be able to attend certain types of post secondary institutions.

- What reason have they cited for their choices?
- Have they prematurely limited their options due to a lack of information?
- To what extent has this assignment changed their minds about what options are available to them?