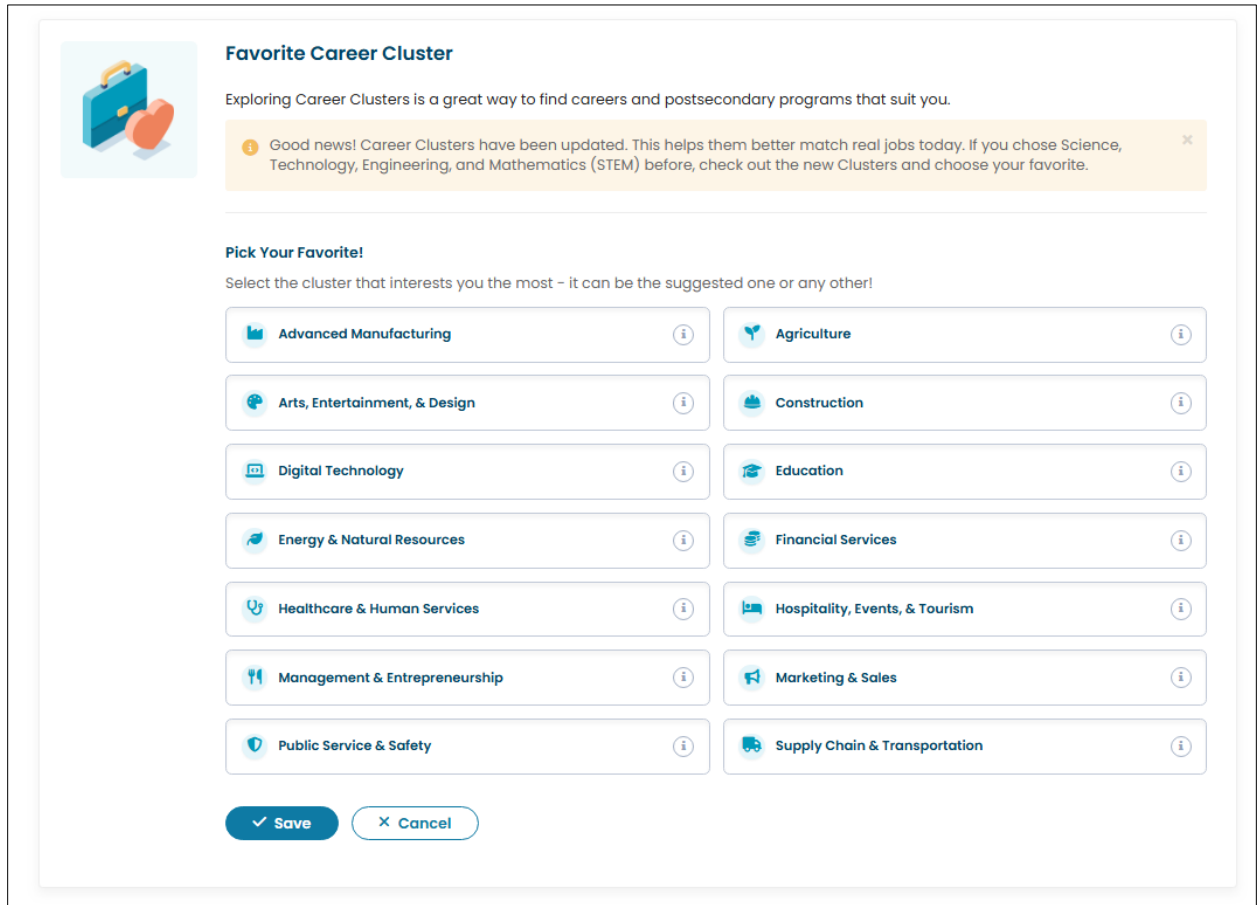


Key Enhancements

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1. Favorite Career Cluster (formerly Focus Career Cluster)

The Focus Career Cluster activity has been renamed and completely redesigned. It is now called Favorite Career Cluster everywhere students, parents, and educators see it.



Favorite Career Cluster

Exploring Career Clusters is a great way to find careers and postsecondary programs that suit you.

Good news! Career Clusters have been updated. This helps them better match real jobs today. If you chose Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) before, check out the new Clusters and choose your favorite.

Pick Your Favorite!

Select the cluster that interests you the most – it can be the suggested one or any other!

 Advanced Manufacturing 	 Agriculture 
 Arts, Entertainment, & Design 	 Construction 
 Digital Technology 	 Education 
 Energy & Natural Resources 	 Financial Services 
 Healthcare & Human Services 	 Hospitality, Events, & Tourism 
 Management & Entrepreneurship 	 Marketing & Sales 
 Public Service & Safety 	 Supply Chain & Transportation 

New Career Cluster cards with Cluster descriptions

Once a student selects a favorite, optional follow-up questions appear for the student to reflect upon their choice.

Why did you pick Digital Technology? (Optional)

☐  It matches my career goals

☐  It's a good match for my school plans

☐  It matches my interests

☐  Other reason...

How committed do you feel? (Optional)

Select an option

Other thoughts about your favorite Career Cluster? (Optional)

What did you learn about the cluster you chose? How do your short-term or long-term goals fit?

✓ Save

✕ Cancel

Optional reflection questions for the student's favorite cluster

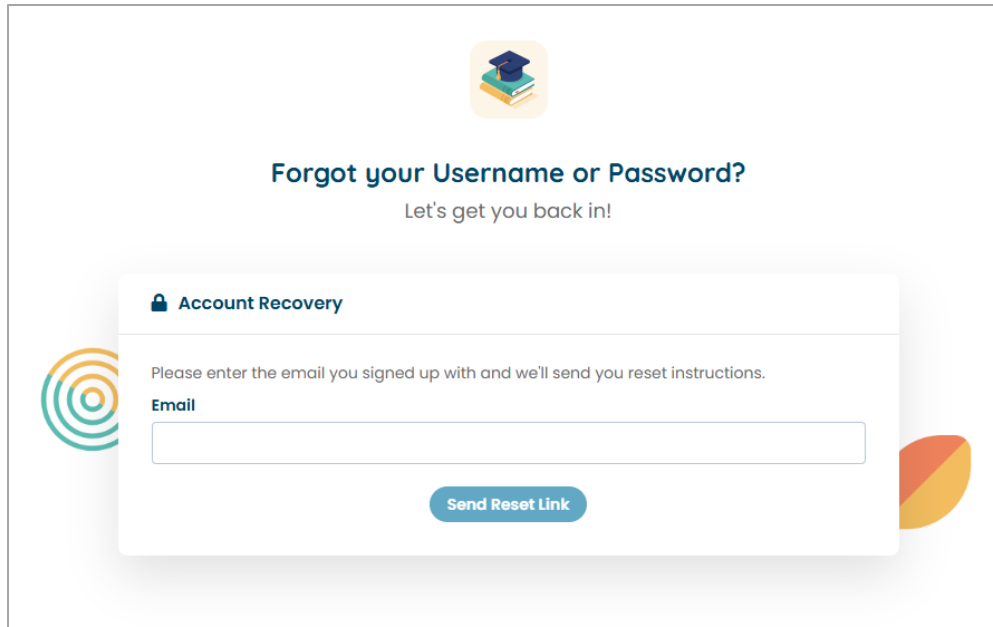
2. Account Recovery Improvements

We have redesigned the sign-in help and account recovery tools for the RUReadyND student center. These updates provide a simpler, more secure self-service experience for users whose accounts are not automatically created and who have forgotten their username or password.

Updated Sign In Help Page

The Sign In Help page has been streamlined for RUReadyND. Users will now see:

- A single email entry field with clear instructions, replacing the previous multi-option layout
- Inline validation that checks for a valid email format before the form can be submitted



Redesigned Sign In Help page

Account Recovery Workflow

Users are now guided through a clear, self-service recovery flow:

- **Step 1 – Enter Email:** The user enters the email address associated with their account. The submit button is disabled until a valid email is entered.
- **Step 2 – Reset Email Sent:** If the email matches an account, the system sends a secure, time-bound reset link (valid for 12 hours). Users see a partially masked version of the email and are prompted to check their spam/junk folder if needed.
- **Step 3 – Reset Password:** The user clicks the link in the email and is taken to the Update Account page to enter and confirm a new password. Upon success, the user is directed to sign in.
- **No Email Match – Additional Verification:** If the entered email is not found, users can provide additional identifying information to help locate their account.

What Happens in Edge Cases

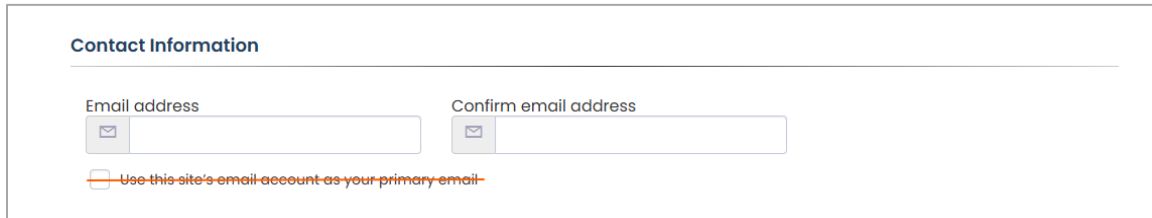
The system handles common scenarios automatically:

- **Multiple accounts found for the same email:** The user is directed to contact XAP Support
- **System-generated email on account:** The user is directed to contact XAP Support
- **Expired or invalid reset link:** The user is shown a message with a link to restart the recovery process
- **3 failed identity verification attempts:** The user is directed to contact XAP Support

- Additionally, rate limiting features are built in to ensure the process is secure.

Account Creation Update

The option for users to use a system-generated email address during account creation has been removed. Users will now be required to enter an email address (school or personal) when manually creating an account.

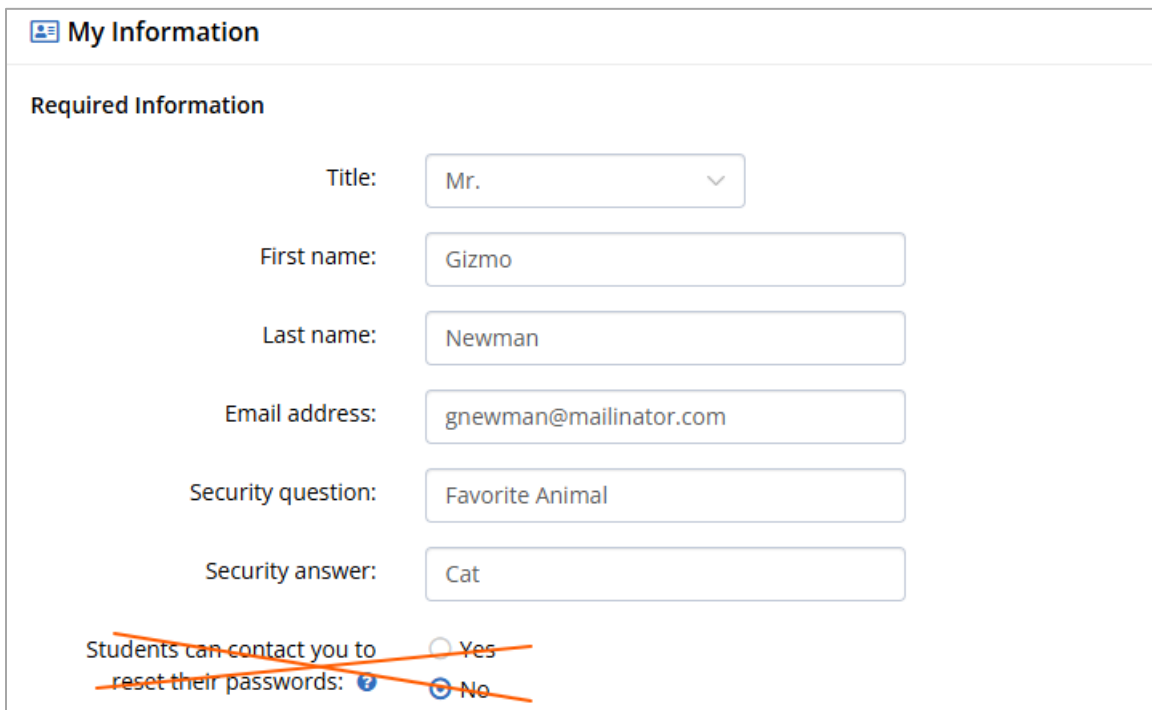


Removal of Account Creation option for email

Counselor / Professional Profile Update

The option for professionals to allow users to contact them for password resets has been removed from all Professional Center profiles. Under Account Profile > My Information, the setting 'Students can contact you to reset their passwords' no longer appears.

This change reflects the new self-service recovery workflow, which reduces the need for users to request counselor-assisted password resets.



Updated Professional Profile - My Information section

3. Enhanced Work-based Learning Organization Profile & Search

Finding the right partners for your students just got a whole lot easier. The RUReadyND Professional Center now gives educators richer information about Work-Based Learning (WBL) organizations and smarter tools to find the right fit.

What's New

Organization profiles in Pro Center now display a set of support characteristics that describe how each organization is willing to engage with students and schools. Educators can also search and filter the full list of WBL organizations using these characteristics to quickly surface the most relevant partners.

Benefits for Educators

- **Know Before You Reach Out** — Each employer profile now clearly shows whether an organization is open to supporting students with disabilities, working with justice-involved students, welcoming job coaches into the workplace, and more — saving time and helping educators make better matches for their students.
- **Find the Right Partners Faster** — The WBL organization search has been expanded so you can filter by the support characteristics that matter most to your students, whether that's tuition assistance or supporting students with disabilities.
- **At-a-Glance Employer Insights** — The WBL organization list now surfaces these characteristics directly in the table view, so you can compare employers without clicking into each individual profile.
- **Keep Your Local Contacts Up to Date** — For organizations you've added yourself, these fields are fully editable, giving you control over keeping your local employer information accurate and current.

Support Scope (Optional)	☐ Job Coaches ☒ Open to having a job coach accompany students in the workplace.
	☐ Special Accommodations ☒ Open to students with disabilities and may provide support as needed.
	☐ Justice-Involved Students ☒ Willing to work with and support justice-involved students.
	☐ Advisory Board ☒ Willing to participate in a CTE advisory board to support school programs.
	☐ Funding Support ☒ Willing to provide funding or resources to support CTE programs.
	☐ Tuition Assistance ☒ Willing to help students pay for college, training, or certification programs.
	☐ Actively Recruiting ☒ Currently open to students seeking work-based learning opportunities.

Support scope options for your local organization profile

These updates make it easier to connect the right students with the right opportunities — and to build stronger, more informed relationships with your employer community.

4. Smarter Work-based Learning Application Emails

A small but meaningful improvement is coming to the Work-Based Learning application notification emails — one that will save time for anyone managing WBL across multiple schools.

What's New

WBL application notification emails now include key contextual details right in the subject line and message body, so recipients have everything they need at a glance without having to sign in to find out where an application came from.

Benefits for Educators & WBL Coordinators

- **Know Immediately Which School It's From** — The school's name now appears directly in the email subject line, so professionals managing multiple sites can instantly identify which school's application needs attention — no guesswork required.
- **All the Key Details in One Place** — The email body now includes the student's name, the opportunity they applied for, the associated company, and the school — giving reviewers the full picture before they even open Pro Center.
- **Less Time Tracking Down Information** — What used to require logging in and searching through records is now surfaced right in the notification, making the review process faster and more efficient for busy coordinators and employer partners.

This update was driven directly by feedback from educators in the field and reflects our ongoing commitment to making the WBL workflow as smooth as possible for everyone involved.

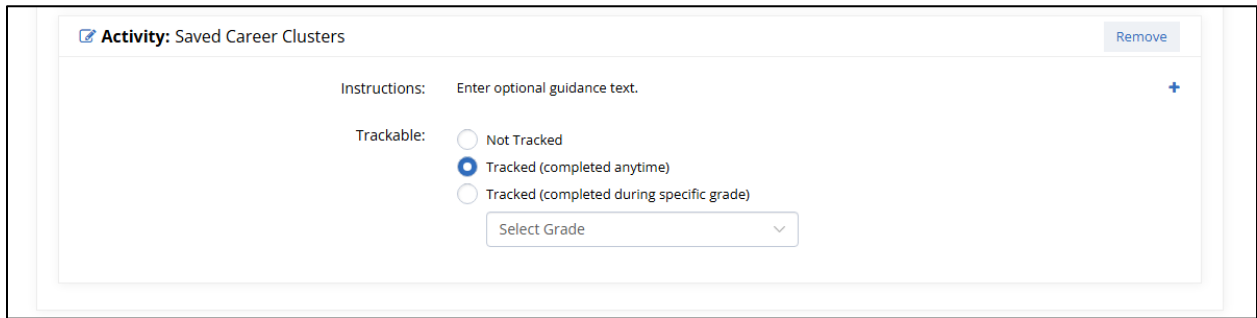
5. Saved Career Cluster Activity Annual Tracking

The Saved Career Cluster activity now supports annual completion tracking for students in grades 3 through 12. Educators can configure this through the Assignment & Curriculum Builder, allowing the activity to be tracked and recognized as a fresh completion each school year.

Benefits for Educators & Students

- **Year-Over-Year Visibility** — Completion of the Saved Career Cluster activity can now be set to be tracked annually, so educators can see whether students are actively revisiting and updating their career interests each year — not just whether they completed it once.

- **Encourages Meaningful Reflection** — Students who completed the activity in a prior year are prompted to review and confirm or update their selections, turning career exploration into a recurring habit rather than a one-time checkbox.
- **Consistent Progress Recognition** — Each year's completion is recognized with a green ribbon and date stamp, keeping students motivated and progress records accurate and current in My Progress.
- **Supports a K–12 Career Development Continuum** — With annual tracking available starting in grade 3, educators can build a consistent thread of career awareness and reflection all the way through graduation.



Administrators can select to track completion annually in the Assignment & Curriculum Builder

Bug Fixes & Improvements

- **AP Exams** - The AP Exams activity has been reviewed and updated to align with the College Board's latest AP course list for 2026.
- **Basic Skills Survey** – The display of the results was updated so the results text displays properly.