

CURRICULUM

FOR

DAILY LIVING SKILLS

GRADES 9-12

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Daily Living Skills - Grade 9 -12

PACING GUIDE

Unit	Title	Pacing
1	Daily Living Skills	10 weeks
2	Self Determination and Interpersonal Skills	10 weeks
3	Employment Skills	20 weeks

ACCOMMODATIONS

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- Provide scaffolded vocabulary and vocabulary lists.
- Provide extra visual and verbal cues and prompts.
- Provide adapted/alternate/excerpted versions of the text and/or modified supplementary materials.
- Provide links to audio files and utilize video clips.
- Provide graphic organizers and/or checklists.
- Provide modified rubrics.
- Provide a copy of teaching notes, especially any key terms, in advance.
- Allow additional time to complete assignments and/or assessments.
- Provide shorter writing assignments.
- Provide sentence starters.
- Utilize small group instruction.
- Utilize Think-Pair-Share structure.
- Check for understanding frequently.
- Have student restate information.
- Support auditory presentations with visuals.
- Weekly home-school communication tools (notebook, daily log, phone calls or email messages).
- Provide study sheets and teacher outlines prior to assessments.
- Quiet corner or room to calm down and relax when anxious.
- Reduction of distractions.
- Permit answers to be dictated.
- Hands-on activities.
- Use of manipulatives.
- Assign preferential seating.
- No penalty for spelling errors or sloppy handwriting.
- Follow a routine/schedule.
- Provide student with rest breaks.
- Use verbal and visual cues regarding directions and staying on task.
- Assist in maintaining agenda book.

IEP Accommodations:

- Provide scaffolded vocabulary and vocabulary lists.
- Differentiate reading levels of texts (e.g., Newsela).
- Provide adapted/alternate/excerpted versions of the text and/or modified supplementary materials.
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- Provide links to audio files and utilize video clips.
- Provide graphic organizers and/or checklists.
- Provide modified rubrics.
- Provide a copy of teaching notes, especially any key terms, in advance.
- Provide students with additional information to supplement notes.
- Modify questioning techniques and provide a reduced number of questions or items on tests.
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- Provide sentence starters.
- Utilize small group instruction.
- Utilize Think-Pair-Share structure.
- Check for understanding frequently.
- Have student restate information.
- Support auditory presentations with visuals.
- Provide study sheets and teacher outlines prior to assessments.
- Use of manipulatives.
- Have students work with partners or in groups for reading, presentations, assignments, and analyses.
- Assign appropriate roles in collaborative work.
- Assign preferential seating.
- Follow a routine/schedule.

Gifted and Talented Accommodations:

- Differentiate reading levels of texts (e.g., Newsela).
- Offer students additional texts with higher lexile levels.
- Provide more challenging and/or more supplemental readings and/or activities to deepen understanding.
- Allow for independent reading, research, and projects.
- Accelerate or compact the curriculum.
- Offer higher-level thinking questions for deeper analysis.
- Offer more rigorous materials/tasks/prompts.
- Increase number and complexity of sources.
- Assign group research and presentations to teach the class.
- Assign/allow for leadership roles during collaborative work and in other learning activities.

ELL Accommodations:

- Provide extended time.
- Assign preferential seating.
- Assign peer buddy who the student can work with.
- Check for understanding frequently.
- Provide language feedback often (such as grammar errors, tenses, subject-verb agreements, etc...).
- Have student repeat directions.
- Make vocabulary words available during classwork and exams.
- Use study guides/checklists to organize information.
- Repeat directions.
- Increase one-on-one conferencing.
- Allow student to listen to an audio version of the text.
- Give directions in small, distinct steps.
- Allow copying from paper/book.
- Give student a copy of the class notes.
- Provide written and oral instructions.
- Differentiate reading levels of texts (e.g., Newsela).
- Shorten assignments.
- Read directions aloud to student.
- Give oral clues or prompts.
- Record or type assignments.
- Adapt worksheets/packets.
- Create alternate assignments.

- Have student enter written assignments in criterion, where they can use the planning maps to help get them started and receive feedback after it is submitted.
- Allow student to resubmit assignments.
- Use small group instruction.
- Simplify language.
- Provide scaffolded vocabulary and vocabulary lists.
- Demonstrate concepts possibly through the use of visuals.
- Use manipulatives.
- Emphasize critical information by highlighting it for the student.
- Use graphic organizers.
- Pre-teach or pre-view vocabulary.
- Provide student with a list of prompts or sentence starters that they can use when completing a written assignment.
- Provide audio versions of the textbooks.
- Highlight textbooks/study guides.
- Use supplementary materials.
- Give assistance in note taking
- Use adapted/modified textbooks.
- Allow use of computer/word processor.
- Allow student to answer orally, give extended time (time-and-a-half).
- Allow tests to be given in a separate location (with the ESL teacher).
- Allow additional time to complete assignments and/or assessments.
- Read question to student to clarify.
- Provide a definition or synonym for words on a test that do not impact the validity of the exam.
- Modify the format of assessments.
- Shorten test length or require only selected test items.
- Create alternative assessments.
- On an exam other than a spelling test, don't take points off for spelling errors.

Curriculum Key

- Content that encompasses **Career Ready Practices (CRP) = RED**
- Content that encompasses **Mathematical Skills (MS) = ORANGE**
- Content that encompasses **English Language Arts (ELA) = PURPLE**
- Content that encompasses **Daily Living Skills (DLS) = GREEN**

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UNIT OVERVIEW

Content Area: Life Centered Education and Daily Living Skills

Unit Title: Daily Living Skills

Target Course/Grade Level: Daily Living Skills/Grades: 9-12

Unit Summary: The students will be introduced to various skills needed to live independently. They will learn about managing personal finances, household management, personal needs, family responsibilities, food preparation, citizenship responsibility, and leisure activities.

Approximate Length of Unit: 10 Weeks

LEARNING TARGETS

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- RST.11-12.7.** Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem.

Unit Understandings

Students will understand that...

- Applying basic mathematical skills to count money, expenditures, pay bills, taxes, and banking (CRP, DLS,MS)
- Use skills to manage daily living expenses as an adult (e.g. Pay phone bill)(CRP, DLS, MS)
- Understand roles of relationships within and outside the family unit (DLS,ELA)
- Shop, plan and prepare healthy balanced meals (DLS,ELA, MS)
- Wash and maintain cleanliness of items and self(DLS,ELA)
- Choose healthy leisure activities(DLS)
- Choosing and accessing transportation(CRP, DLS,ELA)

Unit Essential Questions

- How do I budget my finances? (CRP, DLS, MS)
- What will be the cost of living independently?(DLS,MS)
- How do I communicate with someone who has a different view than mine? (CRP, DLS,ELA, LGBTQ/D)
- How do I prepare healthy meals?(DLS,ELA)
- What is personal hygiene?(DLS,ELA)
- What constitutes a healthy leisure activity?(DLS,ELA)
- How do I get to and from different places?(DLS,ELA)

Knowledge and Skills

Students will know...

- how to use their basic mathematical skills to budget finances (DLS, MS)
- how to budget their income to live independently (DLS, MS)
- how to properly communicate with individuals of various opinions and views (CRP, DLS,ELA, LGBTQ/D)
- what constitutes a healthy meal (DLS,ELA)
- the importance of personal hygiene (DLS,ELA)
- how to choose safe individual leisure activities (DLS,ELA)
- different modes of transportation (DLS,ELA)

Students will be able to...

- learn how to budget personal finances (DLS, MS)
- live and function independently (DLS)
- interact properly with opinioned individuals (CRP, DLS,ELA, LGBTQ/D)
- shop and cook various healthy foods (DLS,ELA)
- understand the importance of personal hygiene (DLS,ELA)
- find personal hobbies (DLS,ELA)
- learn and participate in different modes of transportation(DLS,ELA)

EVIDENCE OF LEARNING

Assessment

What evidence will be collected and deemed acceptable to show that students truly “understand”?

- End of unit tests
- Quizzes
- Trips
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Unit Title: Self Determination and Interpersonal Skills

Target Course/Grade Level: Daily Living Skills/Grades: 9-12

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Unit Understandings

Students will understand that...

- Personal responsibilities (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- Identify various individual needs and preferences (CRP, DLS)
- Communication Skills (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- Good decision making skills (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- Social Awareness (CRP, DLS, ELA)

- Rights and Advocating (CRP, DLS, ELA, LGBTQ/D)

Unit Essential Questions

- How do I identify my responsibility? (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- What do I preferably need to be successful? (CRP, DLS)
- How do I communicate better? (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- How do I weigh the pros and cons to making a good decision? (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- How do I learn optimize my socialization skills? (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- What are my rights and how do I advocate for myself? (CRP, DLS, ELA, LGBTQ/D)

Knowledge and Skills

Students will know...

- how to access and execute their responsibilities (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- what constitutes success (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- how to properly communicate with individuals in different situations (work, school, job) (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- what are pro and cons of impacting decisions confronted (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- what is appropriate communications and interactions (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- what advocating means (CRP, DLS, ELA)

Students will be able to...

- apply their responsibilities to daily tasks (CRP, DLS)
- identify success and various components (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- communicate properly in different situations confronted (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- weigh a decision on situations (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- recognize when to speak and when to listen (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- understand the governing rights of people with disabilities (CRP, DLS, ELA, LGBTQ/D)

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Unit Title: Employment Skills

Target Course/Grade Level: Daily Living Skills/Grades: 9-12

Unit Summary: The students will become competent in how to manage personal finances, household management, personal needs, family responsibilities, food preparation, citizenship responsibility, employment skills, and leisure activities. Students will increase their knowledge in the area of financial planning and continue to prepare for life after high school through employment.

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9.1.5.EG.1: Explain and give examples of what is meant by the term "tax."

9.1.5.FI.1: Identify various types of financial institutions and the services they offer including banks, credit unions, and credit card companies.

9.1.8.FP.5: Determine how spending, investing, and using credit wisely contributes to financial well-being.

9.1.8.PB.1: Predict future expenses or opportunities that should be included in the budget planning process.

9.1.8.CDM.1: Compare and contrast the use of credit cards and debit cards for specific purchases and the advantages and disadvantages of using each.

Interdisciplinary Connections and Standards:

Math:

9-12.F.LE.1b: Recognize situations in which one quantity changes at a constant rate per unit interval relative to another.

9-12.F.LE.1c: Recognizing situations in which a quantity grows or decays by constant presence per unit interval relative to another.

9-12.F.LE.3: Observe using a graph and tables that a quantity increasing exponentially eventually exceeds quantity increasing linearly, quadratically, or as a polynomial function.

9-12.F.LE.6: Calculate and interpret the average rate of change of a function (presented symbolically or as a table) over a specified interval. Estimated the rate of change from the graph.

CC.9-12.N.Q.1: Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays.

English Language Arts:

RL.9-10.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

RL.9-10.2 Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

RL.9-10.6 Analyze a particular point of view or cultural experience reflected in a work of literature from outside the United States, drawing on a wide reading of world literature.

RI.9-10.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

RI.9-10.3 Analyze how the author unfolds an analysis or series of ideas or events, including the order in which the points are made, how they are introduced and developed, and the connections that are drawn between them.

W.9-10.1 Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

W.9-10.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

W.9-10.8 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation

RL.11-12.1 Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text, including determining where the text leaves matters uncertain.

RL.11-12.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of specific word choices on meaning and tone, including words with multiple meanings or language that is particularly fresh, engaging, or beautiful.

W.11-12.2.B Develop the topic thoroughly by selecting the most significant and relevant facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.

W.11-12.8 Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.

SL 11-12.1 Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 11-12 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

Computer Science and Design Thinking:

8.1.2.CS.1: Select and operate computing devices that perform a variety of tasks accurately and quickly based on user needs and preferences.

8.1.2.NI.1: Model and describe how individuals use computers to connect to other individuals, places, information, and ideas through a network.

8.2.2.EC.1: Identify and compare technology used in different schools, communities, regions, and parts of the world.

8.2.5.ED.2: Collaborate with peers to collect information, brainstorm to solve a problem, and evaluate all possible solutions to provide the best results with supporting sketches or models

New Jersey Student Learning Standards for English Language Arts Companion Standards:

Science and Technical Subjects:

RST.9-10.1. Accurately cite strong and thorough evidence from the text to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to precise details for explanations or descriptions.

RST.9-10.2. Determine the central ideas, themes, or conclusions of a text; trace the text's explanation or depiction of a complex process, phenomenon, or concept; provide an accurate summary of the text.

RST.9-10.6. Determine the author's purpose in providing an explanation, describing a procedure, or discussing an experiment in a text, defining the question the author seeks to address.

RST.11-12.1. Accurately cite strong and thorough evidence from the text to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to precise details for explanations or descriptions.

RST.11-12.2. Determine the central ideas, themes, or conclusions of a text; summarize complex concepts, processes, or information presented in a text by paraphrasing them in simpler but still accurate terms.

RST.11-12.7. Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem.

Unit Understandings

Students will understand that....

- Applying basic mathematical skills to employment finances (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- Use skills to manage daily living expenses as an adult as per income (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- Understand roles of relationships within workforce (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- Budget income for personnel needs (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- Skills for maintaining employment (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- Recognize importance of supervision (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- Choosing and accessing transportation (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)

Unit Essential Questions

- How do I budget my finances? (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- What will be the cost of living independently based on my employment? (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- How do I communicate with individuals in the workplace? (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- How do I maintain employment? (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- How do I seek, secure and maintain employment? (CRP, DLS, ELA)

Knowledge and Skills

Students will know...

- How to use their basic mathematical skills to budget finances based on a fixed income (CRP, DLS, MS)
- How to budget their income to live independently (CRP, DLS, MS)
- The importance of properly communicate with individuals at my place of employment and socially (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- How to take directives from a boss and follow through with them, recognize the importance of attendance, productivity, and work safety (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- The proper way to go on a job interview and answer questions (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- How to find a job (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- How social media impacts your employment opportunities (CRP, DLS, EL)

Students will be able to...

- To budget personal finances. (CRP, DLS, MS)
- To learn ways to live and function independently. (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- To interact properly with individuals at a workplace and socially. (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- To recognize and develop adequate employable skills. (CRP, DLS, ELA, MS)
- To learn the process of an interview and follow up. (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- To learn various ways to locate jobs. (CRP, DLS, ELA)
- To learn what is appropriate and inappropriate social media. (CRP, DLS, ELA)

EVIDENCE OF LEARNING

Assessment

What evidence will be collected and deemed acceptable to show that students truly “understand”?

- End of unit tests
- Quizzes
- Trips
- Develop a Budget with spending expenditures
- Teacher made materials
- Projects
- Role Play
- Essays
- Interviews
- Open Discussions

- Modeling
- Taping of role playing for open discussion

Learning Activities

What differentiated learning experiences and instruction will enable all students to achieve the desired results?

- Hands on Activities and Experiences
- Interactions with peers and adults
- Investigations of what works individually
- Interviewing
- Composing a Budget
- Role Playing

RESOURCES

Teacher Resources:

- Teacher made materials
- Money Math
- Social Skills Activity Textbook: For Secondary Student with Special Needs (Darlene Mannix)
- <https://www.e-learningforkids.org/>
- <http://lifeskills.endlex.com/menu/articleindex.html>
- <http://www.aeseducation.com/careercenter21/employability-skills-lesson-plans/>
- Grocery Store & Restaurant (The Freeport Series)
- Skills for Everyday Life (Terry Overton)
- Communicating Clearly (J. Weston Walch)
- Let's Talk About Life Skills (Ellen McPeck Glisan)

Parent Resources:

- <https://www.pinterest.com/pin/254523816414574014/>
- <http://lifeskills.endlex.com/menu/articleindex.html>
- <http://successfulstudent.org/20-life-skills-not-taught-in-school/>

Student Resources:

- <http://www.youthgroupgames.co.uk/fun-games-teach-life-skills.html>
- <https://www.e-learningforkids.org/>
- <http://successfulstudent.org/20-life-skills-not-taught-in-school/>
- <http://www.goodcharacter.com/BCBC/3rs.html>
- Grocery Store & Restaurant (The Freeport Series)
- Skills for Everyday Life (Terry Overton)
- Communicating Clearly (J. Weston Walch)
- Life Skills Practice (PCI Education)

Equipment Needed:

- Computer
- Internet
- Teacher made materials
- Camera to tape interview and playback for discussion