

WARREN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

PLANNED INSTRUCTION

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course Title: Social Skills IV
Course Number: 00636
Course Prerequisites: Social Skills I, Social Skills II, Social Skills III

Course Description: Instruction in Social Skills has been shown to positively influence adolescents. Benefit has also occurred for student with disabilities including learning disabilities and those with emotional and behavioral disorders. Additional evidence supports social skills instruction for individuals with lower incidence disabilities, such as traumatic brain injury, schizophrenia, and those on the Autism Spectrum. Social Skills instruction results in a more positive school climate and more time for teachers to spend on academic instruction instead of discipline, leading to a more rewarding learning and teaching experience. Skillstreaming is an evidence-based strategy designed to systematically teach social skills to address the needs of students who display aggression, immaturities, withdrawal, or other problem behaviors. The Skillstreaming process focuses on four principles of learning. These learning principles—modeling, role playing, performance feedback, and generalization training—have been used to teach a variety of behaviors, from academic competencies of sports, daily living skills, and vocational skills. Instruction also includes use of video modeling to cover topics and demonstrate appropriate social skills. This course will continue instruction using a systematic approach, with emphasis on generalization of skills to within a social environments and during practical, real-world experiences, those skills student have obtained from participation in Social Skills I & II.

Suggested Grade Level: Grades 9-12

Length of Course: One Semester

Units of Credit: .5

PDE Certification and Staffing Policies and Guidelines (CSPG) Required Teacher Certifications:

CSPG 61 Special Education 7-12

To find the CSPG information, go to [CSPG](#)

Certification verified by the WCSD Human Resources Department: ☒ Yes ☐ No

WCSD STUDENT DATA SYSTEM INFORMATION

Course Level: Academic

Mark Types: Check all that apply.

☒ F – Final Average ☒ MP – Marking Period ☐ EXM – Final Exam

GPA Type: ☐ GPAEL-GPA Elementary ☐ GPAML-GPA for Middle Level ☒ NHS-National Honor Society
☒ UGPA-Non-Weighted Grade Point Average ☒ GPA-Weighted Grade Point Average

State Course Code: 08051

To find the State Course Code, go to [State Course Code](#), download the Excel file for SCED, click on SCED 6.0 tab, and choose the correct code that corresponds with the course.

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TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

Board Approved Textbooks, Software, and Materials:

Title: Money Smart 1 & 2, Safety Smart 1 & 2
Publisher: James Stanfield Company
ISBN #: [Click or tap here to enter text.](#)
Copyright Date: 1998-2013
WCSD Board Approval Date: 09/14/2020

Supplemental Materials: Life Skills Activities for Students with Special Needs, 2nd Edition: Mannix

Curriculum Document

WCSD Board Approval:

Date Finalized: 7/28/2020
Date Approved: 8/29/2022
Implementation Year: 2022-2023

SPECIAL EDUCATION, 504, and GIFTED REQUIREMENTS

The teacher shall make appropriate modifications to instruction and assessment based on a student's Individual Education Plan (IEP), Chapter 15 Section 504 Plan (504), and/or Gifted Individual Education Plan (GIEP).

SCOPE AND SEQUENCE OF CONTENT AND CONCEPTS

Marking Period 3

How to Avoid Being a Compulsive Shopper:

- Wait For Sales
- Be Aware of Added Costs

How to Avoid Being a Spendthrift/How to Be a Savvy Shopper:

- Don't Eat Out
- Don't Accumulate Credit Card Debt
- Check Receipts
- Save Receipts and Warranties

How to Avoid Blowing Your Budget:

- Don't Lend More Than \$10.00
- Make a Budget
- Give to Established Charities
- Don't Fall for Phone Scams

Marking Period 4

Safety Smart:

- Don't Flash Your Cash/Take More Money Than You Need
- Don't Take Other People's Medication
- Don't Be Careless in The Kitchen
- How to Be Safe as a Pedestrian

How to Be Safe Using Public Transportation/ How to Use Fire Department Resources:

- Know the Bus Schedule/ Always Wear a Seatbelt
- The Fire Department
- The Police Department
- Health Care

How to Get Help from the Pharmacy:

- The Pharmacy

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Standards/Eligible Content and Skills

Performance Indicator	PA Core Standard and/or Eligible Content	Marking Period Taught
Establishing and Maintaining Relationships: Communicate and collaborate amongst diversity.	SDEV.6-8.B	3
Identify conflict resolution skills to de-escalate, diffuse, and resolve differences.	SDEV.6-8.B.4	3
Self-Awareness and Self-Management: Recognize and regulate emotions.	SDEV.9-12.A	3
Evaluate behaviors in relation to the impact on self and others.	SDEV.9-12.A.1	3
Analyze adverse situations for the purpose of identifying and selecting healthy coping skills.	SDEV.9-12.A.3	3
Establishing and Maintaining Relationships: Communicate and collaborate amongst diversity.	SDEV.9-12.B	3
Select expressive communication strategies specific to context.	SDEV.9-12.B.3	3
Positive attitude toward work and learning.	PERS.K-12.1.6	3
Identify long- and short-term academic, career and social/emotional goals.	PERS.K-12.2.A.7	3
Demonstrate effective coping skills when faced with a problem.	PERS.K-12.B.7	3
Demonstrate personal safety skills.	PERS.K-12.B.9	3
Create positive and supportive relationships with other students.	PERS.K-12.C.2	3
Demonstrate ethical decision-making and social responsibility.	PERS.K-12.C.5	3
Use leadership and teamwork skills to work effectively in diverse teams.	PERS.K-12.C.7	3
Demonstrate advocacy skills and ability to assert self, when necessary.	PERS.K-12.C.8	3
Demonstrate social maturity and behaviors appropriate to the situation and environment.	PERS.K-12.C.9	3
Establishing and Maintaining Relationships: Communicate and collaborate amongst diversity.	SDEV.6-8.B	4
Identify conflict resolution skills to de-escalate, diffuse, and resolve differences.	SDEV.6-8.B.4	4
Self-Awareness and Self-Management: Recognize and regulate emotions.	SDEV.9-12.A	4
Evaluate behaviors in relation to the impact on self and others.	SDEV.9-12.A.1	4
Analyze adverse situations for the purpose of identifying and selecting healthy coping skills.	SDEV.9-12.A.3	4
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Demonstrate social maturity and behaviors appropriate to the situation and environment.	PERS.K-12.C.9	4

ASSESSMENTS

PDE Academic Standards, Assessment Anchors, and Eligible Content: The teacher must be knowledgeable of the PDE Academic Standards, Assessment Anchors, and Eligible Content and incorporate them regularly into planned instruction.

Formative Assessments: The teacher will utilize a variety of assessment methods to conduct in-process evaluations of student learning.

Effective formative assessments for this course include: Exit tickets, observation, group activities

Summative Assessments: The teacher will utilize a variety of assessment methods to evaluate student learning at the end of an instructional task, lesson, and/or unit.

Effective summative assessments for this course include: End of class project, test, oral presentation