

## LLD Life Skills Grades 9-12 Year 3



The Life Skills course is designed to foster growth of independent living skills for high school special education students, ages fourteen to twenty-one. Emphasis is placed upon self-awareness, health and self-care, social interaction, problem solving, household and money management, career awareness and daily living skills. Content is modified to address specific student needs based upon goals set forth in the Individual Educational Plan. Opportunities to acquire independent living skills, positive self-esteem and greater self-sufficiency are taught at an appropriate pace based upon ability in order for students to experience success.

Course Sequence & Pacing	
Unit Title	MP/Weeks
	Due to the students' need for repetition, the goals and objectives of each unit will be interwoven throughout the entire school year. They will be addressed daily, weekly
Unit 2: Pop Culture	and/or monthly depending on each students' IEP Goals and respective appropriateness.
Unit 3: Individual Differences	
Unit 4: Health & Safety	

## Unit 1

## **Stage 1: Desired Results**

#### Unit 1: How We Learn

**Unit Summary:** Students will gain an understanding of their aptitudes and interests in order to facilitate career choices and aid in maintaining gainful employment.

## **Unit 1 Learning Targets**

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IEP Goals & Objectives, ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies

Unit Essential Questions:	Unit Enduring Understandings:
How do personal interests and skills affect your job selection and success?	In order for students to find and maintain employment, they must develop an ongoing assessment of their abilities and interests.

How does knowledge of personal interests and abilities impact on career choices? What is the importance of lifelong learning to employment?	<ul><li>High School is designed to prepare students for life beyond the classroom setting.</li><li>The teaching of vocational skills is intended to prepare the student for success after secondary education.</li><li>Through vocational skills training, students learn how to prepare for a job, find a job, apply for a job and excel at a job</li></ul>
Content-Students will know:	Skills-Students will be able to:
In order for students to find and maintain employment, they must develop an ongoing assessment of their abilities and interests. Know their strengths/weaknesses, likes/dislikes Know what behaviors are expected at school and the workplace Discuss the importance of lifelong learning and why people work.	Know their strengths/weaknesses, likes/dislikes Know what behaviors are expected at school and the workplace Discuss the importance of lifelong learning and why people work. Display the ability to communicate effectively with others and perform job tasks accurately and efficiently. Demonstrate effective human relations skills in dealing with fellow classmates Investigate and understand how to handle conflicts and stress Learn to use time efficiently and accurately.

# Stage 2: Evidence of Student Learning

Summative Assessments:
Claim, evidence & reasoning assessments
CBI trip (checklists)
Formative Assessments:
Weekly assessments
Exit Tickets
Student Interview
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Common Benchmark Assessments:
Cooperative and independent learning experiences
Class work and homework

Class discussion and participation
IEP Progress Indicators
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Multimedia presentations
Projects
Self Assessment Portfolio
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Stage 3: Core Instructional Plan & Resources	
Skill: Relate identification of strengths, weakness, likes and dislikes to job choices Identify acceptable and unacceptable behaviors expected in the workplace Connect the importance of lifelong learning to obtaining and maintaining employment Set career goals and be aware of the steps needed for self-direction toward those goals. Identify careers of interest and the related education or training necessary to obtain the skills needed for that occupation. Demonstrate consumer and other basic financial skills. Develop basic skills as related to job hunting and interviews	Learning Activities: CBI Trips Choices Magazine Teacher created materials - Google Slides and Docs Google Classroom Chromebooks Youtube Newsela EdPuzzle TPT Internet Resources CNN 10 Actively Learn Kahoot Gimkit

## **Suggested Activities for Differentiation**

Suggested Strategies and Practices that Support Students with Disabilities:

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## Suggested Strategies and Practices that Support English Language Learners:

- Personal glossary
- Text-to-speech
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## Unit 2

## **Stage 1: Desired Results**

#### **Unit 2: Pop Culture**

Unit Summary: To develop an understanding of people and the affects on the environment

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Unit Essential Questions:	Unit Enduring Understandings:
How do we interact with other people? What is acceptable behavior? How does one organize social life and leisure time? What is the importance of a calendar? What strategies can I use to resolve conflicts with others? What is "effective" communication? What is a healthy friendship? Why do some friendships change? Why do some people deal with similar problems in different ways?	<ul> <li>The ability to properly interact with people will facilitate positive interactions with others in a variety of situations.</li> <li>Effective communication skills are necessary for a successful life: personally, socially, educationally, and professionally.</li> <li>An empathetic person is able to understand others' perspectives and respond to conflict appropriately.</li> <li>Understanding the components of a healthy relationship is important for assisting students in making healthy relationship choices and decisions.</li> <li>It is important for students to know how to cope with and handle life's challenges.</li> </ul>
Content-Students will know:	Skills-Students will be able to:
What is meant by proper social interaction?	Define social interaction
How does one organize leisure time in terms of socializing with	Define leisure time Learn to manage leisure time to contribute to a
others?	positive social life
What is the importance of a calendar to socialization in daily living?	Utilize a daily planner/calendar to track appointments and social events.

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The student will review different conflict resolution strategies and identify at least three strategies that should be used if faced with a conflict.	Practice proper self introductions, emphasizing eye contact and hand shaking technique Role play a variety of social situations
The students will identify characteristics of effective communication.	

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Stage 3: Core Instructional Plan & Resources	
<b>Skill:</b> Discussion of the importance of managing leisure time to enhance relationships Students will maintain a daily planner Students will create a poster of their favorite leisure time activities conducted with others and will present to the class Students will make a list of sports, clubs, etc. in the school in which they are interested and will be encouraged to attend at least one of these activities Work cooperatively with others to accomplish a task. Evaluate their own actions and accomplishments. Describe actions which demonstrate respect for others.	Learning Activities:CBI TripsChoices MagazineTeacher created materials - Google Slides and DocsGoogle ClassroomChromebooksYoutubeNewselaEdPuzzleTPTInternet ResourcesCNN 10Actively LearnKahootGimkit

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Unit Essential Questions:

#### Unit Enduring Understandings:

How do we view ourselves? How are we different from one another? How do the decisions that you make affect you and those around you? What are values?	Self-awareness is an important factor in social and emotional growth. The decisions that we make affect us both as individuals and socially.
Content-Students will know: Self awareness is an important factor in social and emotional growth. The decisions that we make affect us both as individuals and socially. The student will identify personal stressors and coping strategies. Understand consequences of decisions and choices. Demonstrate an ability to prevent, manage, and resolve interpersonal conflicts in constructive ways. Idenitfy alternative solutions to a problem. Respect alternate points of view. Respect and recognize the feelings and perspectives of others	Skills-Students will be able to:         Define self-concept and list examples.         Identify personality traits.         Explain how personal choices affect themselves and others.         Create and assess realistic goals.         Define and understand what values are

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Skill:	Learning Activities:
Define self-concept and list examples List examples of personality traits Identify general likes and dislikes, hobbies, plans for the future Develop a list of daily situations that require decision making Brainstorm good and bad decisions based on given situations Understand that all decisions cause a reaction and consequence Understand the affect of choices made List values and explain their importance Discuss traits or values that are preferred in friends	CBI Trips Choices Magazine Teacher created materials - Google Slides and Docs Google Classroom Chromebooks Youtube Newsela EdPuzzle TPT Internet Resources CNN 10 Actively Learn Kahoot Gimkit

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## Unit 4

## **Stage 1: Desired Results**

### Unit 4: Health & Safety

**Unit Summary:** Students will examine the roleof living a healthy lifestyle and gain an understanding of appropriate kitchen safety, sanitation practices, as well as kitchen equipment usage for meal preparation.

## **Unit 4 Learning Targets**

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9.3.HT-RFB.2 Demonstrate safety and sanitation procedures in food and beverage service facilities

9.3.HT-RFB.5 Research costs, pricing, market demands and marketing strategies to manage profitability in food and beverage service facilities

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What is good nutrition?	
How does your diet affect your health?	In order to live a healthy lifestyle, it is necessary to have an
What is the Food Guide Pyramid?	understanding of the role that nutrition and fitness both play in one's life.
Why is exercise necessary?	Harmful bacteria in food cause food borne illness.
How does food preparation keep you healthy and safe?	A clean, organized kitchen is a safe kitchen.
	Choosing tools, appliances and equipment properly will make food
	preparation convenient.
Content-Students will know:	Skills-Students will be able to:
Identify kitchen equipment	Use correct safety and sanitation practices within the kitchen
Explain the uses of basic kitchen equipment	environment.
Know safety and sanitation rules for meal preparation	Name basic kitchen tools and equipment.
Know how to safely utilize appropriate kitchen tools and equipment	Properly utilize basic kitchen tools and equipment.
Know what to do in case of an accident or emergency within a food	Prepare and serve a basic breakfast, lunch, dinner and snack. 5. Set
preparation environment	a table and apply appropriate etiquette rules.
Know the difference between acceptable and unacceptable behavior	List the names of each of the food groups within the Food Guide
during meal time Properly set a table	Pyramid.
Know how to navigate through a grocery store	

Know how to write a grocery list Understand the concept of developing a healthy meal	Decipher what foods belong within each of the food groups. Identify healthy verse unhealthy food choices.
Know how to read a basic recipe Know how to prepare basic	Plan healthy meals and snacks.
breakfast, lunch, dinner and snack foods	Participate in a school wide sale of a prepared breakfast.

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Stage 3: Core Instructional Plan & Resources		
Skill:	Learning Activities:	
Identify kitchen equipment	CBI Trips	

Explain the uses of basic kitchen equipment	Cooking Activities
Know safety and sanitation rules for meal preparation	Teacher created materials - Google Slides and Docs
Know how to safely utilize appropriate kitchen tools and equipment	Google Classroom
Know what to do in case of an accident or emergency within a food	Chromebooks
preparation environment	Youtube
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