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Life Skills Syllabus

Welcome to Life Skills. This semester we will be working on skills that will help you throughout your life. We will cover such topics as money management, auto maintenance, home maintenance, home economics, and some other random, fun stuff. You will have the opportunity to choose topics which you will present to the class, which means some of the class will be taught by YOU. Topics chosen will be subject to my approval.

Some activities will require parental permission to participate; permission slips will be sent home prior to those activities.

The course is a combination of class instruction, computer assignments and in-class assignments. Every student should pass this course if they are in class, paying attention, and turning in assignments. It is my goal to help all my students to pass this course. Success in school is VERY HEALTHY.

Grades will be based as follows:

20% Assignments

10% Tests and quizzes

60% Attendance and participation.

Each assignment, test and quiz will have a point value and will be scored on a percentage basis. 100-90%-A, 89-80%-B, 79-70%-C, 69-60%-D below 60% will be considered an Incomplete.

Make up work will be accepted until one week prior to the end of the quarter, however, all work turned in after the unit is completed in class will be marked down 10%.

Each day students will receive 5 point for attending and up to 5 points for participation. Students will be expected to pay attention, be involved in discussions and work on assignments during work times.

I expect everyone in the class to be respectful, kind and polite to everyone else in the class (this includes me). Failure to do so will not be tolerated, if a student has to be reminded how to behave more than twice they will be asked to leave the class and all points for the day will be forfeited (gone).

If a student has to be asked to leave the class more than twice they will have to meet with myself and a principal before being readmitted to class.

Cell phones will not be allowed in my classroom, unless we are working on them for an assignment. The first time I see a phone I will ask you to put it away. Second occurrence will result in loss of the phone until the end of class. If student doesn't give up the phone, the student will be asked to leave and all participation points forfeited.

I anticipate a great and fun semester and hope to learn along with you, the student.

If you have questions or comments please contact me at bmortensen@rootshigh.org or call the school and leave a message, I will respond as quickly as possible.

Students, signing this document means you have read this document, understand it and intend to abide by class rules. Parents and guardians, please help your student make good choices this year (and in the future). Talk to them about what they are learning in class and contact me with any concerns.

Student's signature

Parent or Guardian's signature