Social Skills Course Compendium

UNITS OF STUDY*

Listening
Conversing
Problem Solving
Making and Maintaining Friendships

INTERDISCIPLINARY CONNECTIONS

NJSLS Companion Standards Grades 6 - 8

RST.6-8.7. Integrate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text with a version of that information expressed visually (e.g., in a flowchart, diagram, model, graph, or table)

NJSLSA.W4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience

NJSLSA.W6. Use technology, including the Internet, to produce and publish writing and to interact and collaborate with others.

WHST.6-8.7. Conduct short research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration

21st Century Life and Careers

- **CRP1.** Act as a responsible and contributing citizen and employee.
- **CRP2.** Apply appropriate academic and technical skills.
- CRP3. Attend to personal health and financial well-being.
- **CRP4.** Communicate clearly and effectively and with reason.
- **CRP5.** Consider the environmental, social and economic impacts of decisions.
- **CRP6**. Demonstrate creativity and innovation.
- **CRP8.** Utilize critical thinking to make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

*See individual units for Pacing Guide, NJSLS Standards, Transfer Skills, Enduring Understandings, Essential Questions, Learning Objectives, Key Vocabulary, Skills, Resources, & Assessments

GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR DIVERSE LEARNERS		
English Language Learners	Students Receiving Special Education Services	Advanced Learners
- Personal glossary - Text-to-speech - Extended time - Simplified / verbal instructions - Frequent breaks WIDA Can Do Descriptors for Grades 6 - 8 WIDA Essential Actions Handbook FABRIC Paradigm Wall Township ESL Grading Protocol *Use WIDA Can Do Descriptors in coordination with Student Language Portraits (SLPs).	- Small group/One to one - Additional time - Review of directions - Student restates information - Space for movement or breaks - Extra visual and verbal cues and prompts - Follow a routine/schedule - Rest breaks - Verbal and visual cues regarding directions and staying on task - Checklists - Immediate feedback Students receiving Special Education programming have specific goals and objectives, as well as accommodations and modifications outlined within their Individualized Education Plans (IEP) due to an identified disability and/or diagnosis. In addition to exposure to the general education curriculum, instruction is differentiated based upon the student's needs. The IEP acts as a supplemental curriculum guide inclusive of instructional strategies that support each learner. Considerations for Special Education Students 6-12 National Center on Universal Design for Learning - About UDL UDL Checklist UDL Key Terms	- Use of high level academic vocabulary/texts - Problem-based learning - Interest-based research - Authentic problem-solving - Homogeneous grouping opportunities Knowledge and Skill Standards in Gifted Education for All Teachers Pre-K-Grade 12 Gifted Programming Standards Gifted Programming Glossary of Terms
At Risk Learners / Differentiation Strategies		
Alternative Assessments Games and Tournaments Group Investigations Learning Contracts Leveled Rubrics Use of Collaboration of Various Activities Multiple Texts Personal Agendas	Independent Research & Projects	Jigsaw Work Alone/Together Cubing Activities Exploration by Interest Flexible Grouping Goal-Setting with Students Homework Options Open-Ended Activities Use of Reading Buddies Varied Product Choices Stations/Centers

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