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Course Name	Independent Living			
Course Description	This course is designed to help you prepare for your life after high school. It focuses on a wide range of subjects to assist you in becoming a wise consumer and healthy, productive adult. Topics covered include: leadership, personal success, goals, values, decision making, communication, career exploration, financial literacy, and personal wellness.			
Unit of Study	Grade Level Expectations/Content Standards	Approximate Time Spent or Percent of time Spent	Targeted Date of Assessment	
Self Concept, Leadership, Goals, Values, and Decision Making	Acquire a better understanding of self-concept and how your goals and values influence your personal success.  Develop effective communication skills for use in personal and professional relationships.	3-4 weeks	Quarter 1	
Career Exploration	Identify career interest areas based on your goals, individual skills, and aptitudes. Develop a usable education and career portfolio containing items necessary for post-secondary education and job search.		Quarter 1	
Budgeting/ Financial Literacy	Develop an understanding of how to create a personal budget. Demonstrate a basic understanding of how to manage financial resources such as banking, checking, credit, loans, and insurance. Analyze factors in developing a long-term financial management plan.	4-5 weeks	Quarter 2	
Personal Wellness	Develop lifelong, healthy individuals with an understanding of wellness as a lifestyle. Emphasis is placed on implementing healthy nutritional choices, establishing a personal fitness plan, and strategies to maintain emotional wellness.	2-3 weeks	Quarter 2	
Every Unit	21st Century Workplace Essential Skills	All Semester	Semester	





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<b>Grading Scale</b>		Grade Percentages/Weights		
Α	90-100	<b>Summative Assessments &amp; Projects</b>	80%	
В	80-89	Formative Assessments & Projects	20%	
С	70-79			
D	60-69	*Weekly progress grades are posted at		
F	59 or below	https://ic.adams12.org/campus/portal/adams12.isp		

#### **General Expectations**

- Grades are based upon the demonstration of proficiency on units associated with a standard given during each formative or summative assessment. Formative grades in addition to summative unit assessments will be used to holistically determine your grade.
- Summative: 80% Summative measures of achievement are taken when unit master is expected. (i.e., unit tests, culmination of a project, embedded assessments, etc.)
- Formative: 20% Formative assessments measure the scaffolding skills and/or content embedded in the unit. Formative assessments are taken frequently, after a student has practiced a skill or become familiar with content. Examples of formative assessments include but are not limited to exit tickets, paragraphs, oral check for understanding, warm-ups, stages in a large project, etc.
- Assessments will be graded based on teacher/district/state or FLVS rubrics.
- Grades are based on achievement of Content Standards and Grade Level Expectations.

### **Class Expectations**

Missing or incomplete assignments/assessments for this course: Superintendent Policies 6280 Homework and 6281 Make-Up Work, will be followed for this course.

### **Materials:**

- Chromebook or Laptop
- \*\*Highly recommend students have a notebook and/or paper available to them with appropriate writing utensil.
- Additional supplies may be suggested for projects as we progress through the semester.

## **Absence/Attendance Policy:**

- Attendance will be taken *Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday* based on your presence in our synchronous learning (ie. logging in and participating in the daily Google Meets).
- Wednesday attendance will be taken based on completion of an asynchronous activity in Schoology.

### Late Work:

- Excused absences have the number of school days missed plus one day to make up assignments, tests, quizzes, etc.
  - You will receive 10% off for each day turned in late.
  - After a week it will not be graded
- Unexcused absences will receive no more than 50% of credit if turned in upon the day of return.

# **Student Expectations**

- Students are expected to log onto Google Meets *Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.*
- Students will be respectful and tolerant of one another's experiences and points of view. Harassment of any kind will not be tolerated.
- When participating in Google Meets
  - Stay muted unless called upon
  - Have your video on for active attendance
  - o If you need to excuse yourself during the time we are meeting please do so.