**SUCCESS 101**

*A Freshman Transition Course*

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**Course Description:**

    Success 101 is designed to foster academic success in their high school careers, and to aid in reaching life goals set by the individual student. This course aims to answer the all too often asked question, “how does school prepare me for the real world?” In this course, you will discover the necessary steps to attain the lifestyle you dream of and how your passions, values, skills, and personality open the door to many future opportunities.

**Textbook/Workbook - Curriculum:**

    The *Career Choices and Changes* curriculum involves students in a career and life planning process that will motivate them not only to stay in school and to strive for achievement.  This will be accomplished by teaching decision making, problem solving and critical thinking skills, then providing students with the opportunity to practice their skills.

**Required Materials:** These should be brought daily to class.

           -**Binder with divided sections**

**-Writing Utensils:** Pencil, blue or black pen, highlighter

**Grading Procedures and Policies:**

Grades will be calculated on a continual point system that will include assignments in the following categories:

Participation/Work Ethic

Quizzes & Tests

Daily Work (Warm-ups, workbook, HW, etc.)

Projects/Presentations

Final (Portfolio, interview, resume, exam)

***Participation/Work Ethic*** - You will have the opportunity to gain each day.  These points are determined by arriving on time, participating in class discussion, completing work and staying on task, being supportive of class goals and norms.  (**See Participation Rubric for specifics**)

**Tardy Policy:** Casa Grande’s tardy policy is adhered to in this course.  Any student who is not in the room when the tardy bell rings will be given an automatic after school detention to be served in the discipline office.

***Quizzes/Tests*** *-* You will be given quizzes and tests throughout the course based on vocabulary and other class content.  If you are absent for any reason before a test, the expectation is that you will take the exam on the assigned day.  If you miss a quiz/test and your absence is *Excused*, you may make it up on the day you return during office hours.  If your absence is *Unexcused*, you MAY NOT make up the quiz/test.  If you do not make up the quiz/test on the assigned day you will receive a zero.

***Daily Work*** - This category will include any work that we complete in class or that is assigned for homework, such as workbook pages, warm-ups, additional notebook work, vocabulary definitions, etc.  Complete your work on time as *LATE WORK* **will not be accepted**.  Your workbook will usually be left in class so you will have plenty of time in class to finish your work.  *Be productive and use your time wisely.*

***Projects/Presentations*** - You will have many projects and presentations this year.  Expect to work individually, with a partner and/or group.  Some projects will be take-home and some will be in-class.  Your grade will be based upon how much YOU did.  Do your own work on individual projects.  Evenly share the work with your partner/group on group projects.

***Final***- Your final will include several different components: a portfolio of your 10 year plan, a resume, a mock interview and an exam.

**Course Outline:**

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| **Chapter** | **Topic(s)** |
|  | WHO AM I? |
| 1 | Envisioning Your Future |
| 2 | Your Personal Profile |
|  | WHAT DO I WANT? |
| 3 | Lifestyles of the Satisfied and Happy |
| 4 | What Cost This Lifestyle? |
| 5 | Your Ideal Career |
| 6 | Career Research |
| **Chapter** | **Topic(s)** |
| 7 | Decision Making |
|  | HOW DO I GET IT? |
| 8 | Setting Goals and Solving Problems |
| 9 | Avoiding Detours and Roadblocks |
| 10 | Attitude is Everything |
| 11 | Getting Experience |
| 12 | Where Do You Go From Here? |
| FINAL | 10 year Plan |

**General Classroom Expectations:**

1.       Respect everyone and everything around you.

2.       Don’t abuse bathroom privileges or they will be taken away. You may go to the restroom when necessary, but you must leave your cell phone when you leave the classroom.

3.       Using cell phones, ipods, or any other electronics will result in confiscation of the item.  As per school rules, the item will be turned in to the office for a parent to come pick up.

4.       Cheating of any kind will not be tolerated.  You will receive a zero for any assignment or test on which you have cheated.  This may also result in a meeting with school administration and may affect your permanent record or enrollment in the course.

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Student Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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