Guidance and Counseling - 9th Grade

Rationale

Students in grade 9 need opportunities to develop awareness and skills that will allow them to be productive and satisfied members of society.

Course Description

Mehlville School District Guidance Curriculum offers ninth grade students an opportunity to develop skills and/or increase awareness in exploring careers, improving study and learning skills, and making decisions about post-secondary plans.

Course Objectives

1. The student will explore at least one career in their chosen career pathway as assessed by counselor/teacher observation. (CA3, SS7; 1.2, 4.8)

2. The student will demonstrate effective note-taking strategies with 80% competency on class assignments as assessed by teacher made rubrics. (CA1, CA6; 1.8)

3. The student will demonstrate test-taking skills with 80% competency as observed by test results. (CA1, CA6; 1.8)

4. The student will select courses appropriate to their ability/skill level with 85% competency as assessed by successful course completion. (SS6, SS7; 4.5, 4.8)

5. The student will demonstrate practices for resolving conflicts with 90% competency as assessed by office and counselor referrals. (CA6, H/PE5; 3.3, 3.4)

6. The student will do a structured self-analysis including intellectual abilities, physical abilities, emotional make-up and values with 80% competency as assessed by the Self-Directed Search, Explore, MAP, Terra Nova, grades, journals and portfolios. (CA6, SS7, H/PE4; 3.3)

7. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the legal and physical consequences of drug and alcohol possession and/or use with 90 % competency as assessed by activity sheets, test questions, class discussion, school incidents and arrests. (H/PE5; 4.1, 3.6)