### Study Skills

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# **Course description:**

In this class students will focus on a combination of personal skill building as well as competencies across various subjects.

# Student learning objectives:

Students will achieve the academic knowledge and skills required to pursue the full range of career and postsecondary education opportunities common to all career clusters. Students will:

- model behaviors that demonstrate active listening,
- evaluate and use information resources to accomplish specific occupational task
- respond with restatement and clarification techniques to clarify information
- solve problems using critical thinking skills (analyze, synthesize and evaluate) independently and in teams, using creativity and innovation

Additionally, as a class, we will actively monitor grades, exercise regular and professional communication with our teachers, and receive or seek out assistance as students independently identify their own needs.

#### **Grading:**

- 50% classwork/assignments
- 25% Participation/attendance
- 25% Communication, including nonverbal strategies we practice in class

### **Materials:**

#### Pen/Pencil

Backpacks (Students will need to routinely bring their class bags to study skills for organization practice)

Class material from other classes

#### **Rules:**

Students will maintain themselves according to the standards of PAPA (see handbook).

Students will adhere to 4 pillars of performance:

Respect	Professionalism	Agency	Kindness
We treat ourselves,	We take honest	We are truthful to	We take care of each
others, and the	reflection and	ourselves and others	other
environment with care	ownership of our words		
	and actions		

# **Term Goals:**

#### Fall Semester

- Identify short-term personal school and life goals, come up with plans on meeting goals, self-evaluate the efficacy of our plans
- Practice communicating strategies through different means, e.g., writing an email, sending a clear message through text, making a professional phone call, etc.
- O Maintain high academic performance in all classes
- o Practice organizational strategies

# • Spring Semester

- Update short-term goals
- O Maintain academic performance in all classes