

Academic Development

The units in Academic Development are designed to assist students K-12 in developing the academic skills necessary to be successful in the classroom and in life. The three major areas covered in Academic Development are:

Applying skills needed for educational achievement.

Major Points: The emphasis in this area is developing “academic self efficacy”. This includes instilling the belief that every individual can set and attain academic goals. Self-management, study and test taking skills are systematically and intentionally taught to every K-12 student. Sources of help are available for students; they are taught to recognize the need for academic assistance and where and how to get help.

Applying the skills of transitioning between educational levels.

Major Points: The learning within this area includes helping K-12 students acquire the information necessary to make smooth transitions from grade to grade and setting to setting (e.g. elementary school to middle school; school to post-secondary options). Understanding expectations of teachers and requirements of subject areas are examples of information that will help students understand the changes required by transitions.

Developing and monitoring personal educational plans.

Major Points: The Missouri School Improvement Program requires all students to have individual educational and career plans that are initiated no later than 8th grade. This area places emphasis on the knowledge, understanding and skills K-12 students need in order to develop a meaningful educational plan. Specific tasks include: learning to set goals; developing a plan to reach goals; knowing where to go for information/assistance; reviewing and modifying plans.

UNIT DESCRIPTION: Successful Students!		SUGGESTED UNIT TIMELINE: 2 Lessons				
Students will create a personal weekly time management schedule. Students will self-assess their current abilities in study and test taking strategies and compare current year with previous year’s assessment.		CLASS PERIOD (min.): 30 minutes each				
ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS:						
1. What does it mean to be a successful student?						
2. What qualities does a successful student possess?						
ESSENTIAL MEASURABLE LEARNING OBJECTIVES	CCSS LEARNING GOALS (Anchor Standards/Clusters)	CROSSWALK TO STANDARDS				
		GLEs/CLEs	PS	CCSS	OTHER ASCA	DOK
1. The student will name three study skills strategies and three test taking strategies to enhance academic achievement.		AD.4.A.05: Demonstrate study skills and test taking strategies to enhance academic achievement. AD.4.B.05: Demonstrate ability to complete assignments and/or tasks accurately within a specified time frame.		RF.5.3 RF.5.4 SL.5.1 L.5.1 L.5.2 L.5.3 L.5.4 L.5.5 L.5.6	AD A: Students will acquire the attitudes, knowledge and skills contributing to effective learning in school and across the lifespan.	DOK Level - 3 DOK Level - 3
2. The student will name three methods/strategies for completing assignments on time.		AD.4.A.05 AD.4.B.05		RF.5.3 RF.5.4 SL.5.1 L.5.1 L.5.2 L.5.3 L.5.4 L.5.5 L.5.6	AD A	DOK Level - 3 DOK Level - 3

ASSESSMENT DESCRIPTIONS*:					
The student will self-assess their current abilities in study and test taking strategies via a written self-assessment. The student will create a personal weekly time management schedule.					
Obj. #	INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES (research-based): (Teacher Methods)				
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Direct <input type="checkbox"/> Indirect <input type="checkbox"/> Experiential <input type="checkbox"/> Independent study <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interactive Instruction				
1	See Lessons: Lesson # 1: Dear Sassy Successful Student				
2	Lesson # 2: My Time to Shine!				
Obj. #	INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES: (What Students Do)				
1	See Lessons: Lesson # 1: Dear Sassy Successful Student				
2	Lesson # 2: My Time to Shine!				
	<u>Direct:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Structured Overview <input type="checkbox"/> Lecture <input type="checkbox"/> Explicit Teaching <input type="checkbox"/> Drill & Practice <input type="checkbox"/> Compare & Contrast <input type="checkbox"/> Didactic Questions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Demonstrations (Ls. 1-2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Guided & Shared - reading, listening, viewing, thinking (Ls. 1-2)	<u>Indirect:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Problem Solving <input type="checkbox"/> Case Studies <input type="checkbox"/> Reading for Meaning <input type="checkbox"/> Inquiry <input type="checkbox"/> Reflective Discussion <input type="checkbox"/> Writing to Inform <input type="checkbox"/> Concept Formation <input type="checkbox"/> Concept Mapping <input type="checkbox"/> Concept Attainment <input type="checkbox"/> Cloze Procedure	<u>Experiential:</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Field Trips <input type="checkbox"/> Narratives <input type="checkbox"/> Conducting Experiments <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Simulations (Ls. 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Games <input type="checkbox"/> Storytelling <input type="checkbox"/> Focused Imaging <input type="checkbox"/> Field Observations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Role-playing (Ls. 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Model Building <input type="checkbox"/> Surveys	<u>Independent Study</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Essays <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Assisted Instruction <input type="checkbox"/> Journals <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Logs <input type="checkbox"/> Reports <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Activity Packages <input type="checkbox"/> Correspondence Lessons <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Homework <input type="checkbox"/> Research Projects <input type="checkbox"/> Assigned Questions <input type="checkbox"/> Learning Centers	<u>Interactive Instruction</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Debates <input type="checkbox"/> Role Playing <input type="checkbox"/> Panels <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brainstorming (Ls. 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peer Partner Learning (Ls. 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion (Ls. 1-2) <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory Groups <input type="checkbox"/> Think, Pair, Share <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative Learning <input type="checkbox"/> Jigsaw <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Problem Solving (Ls. 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Structured Controversy <input type="checkbox"/> Tutorial Groups <input type="checkbox"/> Interviewing <input type="checkbox"/> Conferencing

UNIT RESOURCES:

Common Core State Standards (CCSS), accessed May 17, 2013, from <http://www.corestandards.org/>

ASCA National Standards for Students (ASCA), accessed June 11, 2013, from
http://static.pdesas.org/content/documents/ASCA_National_Standards_for_Students.pdf