

# OHHS Special Education Department

## Course Syllabus



### **Course Name: LS Social Studies**

The way this is written it will not be able to be used to replace the social studies requirement for graduation. The items listed are more of what was initially addressed in daily living. This course was supposed to be an academically appropriate equivalent for US, world, civics, and econ.

### **Course Description:**

Life Skills includes a wide range of knowledge and skills essential for independent living. This course focuses on development of appropriate social skills, goal-setting, decision making, problem solving communication, healthy lifestyles and personal safety.

### **Prerequisites**

Placement for this course is determined by IEP team decision.

### **Course Resources**

The curriculum for this course includes Circles, a social skills curriculum focused on appropriate boundaries and relationships. We also use Social Thinking, which teaches students to use social skills to think about their own actions and how they relate to others.

### **Course Fees**

None.

### **Course Outline/Instructional Units**

The course first portion of the year we work through Circles 1 & 2, which address appropriate relationship boundaries and respecting social distance. The later portion of the course is focused on Social Thinking, which teaches students to develop self-control and self-regulation.

### **Assessments**

Student grades are based on participation and effort. Data is collected regularly on each student's individual goal progress. Students in the class maintain a portfolio of their work and are expected to participate in assessing their own progress as able. Parents/Guardians receive a quarterly progress report on IEP goal progress.

**Homework**

Homework is not generally assigned. If students wish to be challenged with extra work at home, that can be arranged on a case-by-case basis.

**Grading Scale:**

<b>Regular Scale</b>	
<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>93% and Above</b>
<b>A -</b>	<b>90%-92.99%</b>
<b>B+</b>	<b>87%-89.99%</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>83%-86.99%</b>
<b>B-</b>	<b>80-82.99%</b>
<b>C+</b>	<b>77%-79.99%</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>73-76.99%</b>
<b>C-</b>	<b>70-72.99%</b>
<b>D+</b>	<b>67%-69.99%</b>
<b>D</b>	<b>60%-66.99%</b>
<b>F</b>	<b>59.99% and Below</b>