

Nouvel Catholic Central

On Your Own

COURSE SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:	On Your Own is a life skills course available for students in grades 11 and 12. Students learn basic skills to help them prepare for life once they are on their own in college, the workplace and in everyday living. Focus will be on the following areas: College Life, Job and Workplace Preparation, Life skills, Personal Safety, Relationship Building, Building a Personal Budget and Leadership and Goal Setting.
MAJOR COURSE GOALS:	Students will be prepared to take care of themselves in the real world. From knowing how to sew a button to building a resume and acing a job interview, students will gain confidence in their own abilities to take care of themselves and be successful.
COURSE ASSESSMENT PLAN:	Class lecture and discussion, written responses, Projects, Portfolio
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS NEEDED:	Three-ring binder or notebook (with pockets for hand-outs)
EXTRA HELP:	The teacher is available 5 th -7 th hour and after school until 3:30.
INSTRUCTIONAL PHILOSOPHY:	There are a variety of teaching strategies used to address differing learning styles. Lecture notes are incorporated on the overhead, and group discussion, current articles, and individual responses are also used. The goal in every class is for students to make real-world connections. I never want them wondering “Why do I need to know this?”, or “When will I ever use this?”
MAJOR COURSE PROJECTS AND INSTRUCTIONAL ACTIVITIES:	Students will complete the assigned project/skill for each unit as well as presenting an “Everyday Skill” project to present to the rest of the class. There will be frequent written response and research opportunities for students to further develop and hone skills that apply directly to their individual interests and needs.
CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Respect yourself and others at all times.*Listen while others are speaking.*Students are not allowed on the computers without permission.

<p>HOMEWORK POLICY AND GRADING SCALE:</p>	<p>*Assignments will only receive full credit when they are handed in the day they are due. Late work will be accepted the following day but the grade will be reduced by half.</p> <p>*All formal papers, articles, speeches and responses must be typed.</p> <p>*Plagiarism will not be tolerated and is an automatic zero for the assignment. When in doubt, always cite any work/sources that are not your own.</p> <p>All points are approximate by Unit:</p> <p>Participation: 30-40 points</p> <p>Unit Projects and/or assignments: 25-50 points each</p> <p>In-Class Activities/Responses: 20-30 points</p> <p>Everyday Skill Presentation : 50 points</p> <p>*Extra credit will be offered throughout the semester at my discretion.</p> <p>*Grades are based on the accumulated points of all assignments.</p> <p>*The NCC grading scale is listed in the NCC handbook.</p>
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