Unit #4 Title: Skills for Success

Lesson Title: Getting Ready for Success, Part 1

Grade Level: 3

Length of Lesson: 30 minutes

Mississippi College and Career Readiness Standard:
SL.3.1, SL.3.1b, SL.3.1c, SL.3.1d

American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Mindsets and Behaviors:
M 1, M 6
B-SS.6, B-SS.9

Materials and Resources (include activity sheets or supporting resources)
*Personal, Ethical, and Work Habit Skills Activity Sheet*: Copy and cut skills into strips for each student.
3 Large pieces of paper – 1 titled “Personal Skills”, 1 titled “Ethical Skills”, and 1 titled “Work Habit Skills”
Resource 1: *Missouri Mule Poem*

Enduring Life Skill(s)

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<th>Perseverance</th>
<th>Integrity</th>
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<td>X Courage</td>
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Lesson Measurable Learning Objectives
The student will categorize personal skills, ethical skills, and work habit skills.

Lesson Formative Assessment (acceptable evidence):
Assessment should relate to the performance outcome for goals and objectives.
Assessment can be question answer, performance activity, etc.
Students verbally respond to the following questions: Which category does each skill fall into?
Do skills fall into more than one category?
Lesson Preparation

**Essential Questions:** How are skills related to success?

**Engagement: (Hook)**
Read the *Missouri Mule Poem* aloud – Discuss the personal, ethical, and work habit skills (or lack thereof) that the mule exhibits. In the discussion of the mule’s skills, identify the personal skill then hold up the personal skills sign and hang in one area of the room. Do the same procedure with the other two skills.

Review what personal, ethical and work habit skills are:
- **Personal Skills** are skills about how a person treats themselves or others.
- **Ethical Skills** are skills a person uses when doing the right/wrong thing in different situations.
- **Work Habit Skills** are skills a person uses to complete an assignment/job.

### Procedures

#### Instructor Procedures/Instructional Strategies:

1. Counselor says, “I have listed some personal, ethical, and work habit skills on slips of paper. Each of the skills will fit into at least one of the categories on the signs: Personal Skills, Ethical Skills or Work Habit Skills. You will each draw out one of the slips of paper. When I say ‘Show Me’, walk to the appropriate section of the room where your work skill would belong.”

2. Proceed to one of the areas and choose a student to read the skill on his/her slip of paper and explain why he/she went to that area of the room.

3. Ask if that skill could also go in another area.

4. Follow same routine until all students have shared.

5. Close the lesson by having the students rewrite the *Missouri Mule Poem* or by writing a poem of their own using the positive Personal Skills, Ethical Skills, and Work Habit Skills shared during the lesson.

#### Student Involvement/Instructional Activities:

1. Students take a slip of paper, and upon hearing the “Show Me” command they move to the appropriate area of the room.

2. Student reads his/her skill and gives the reason he/she went to that area.

3. Student identifies other areas that the skill could fit into, and their rationale.

4. Students follow same response procedure.

5. Students share their poem.
**Teacher Follow-Up Activities**

Encourage classroom teacher to relate the Personal Skills, Ethical Skills, and Work Habit Skills to the work students do in the classroom.

**Counselor reflection notes**


Activity Sheet 1

**Personal Skills, Ethical Skills, and Work Habit Skills**

*Please Note:* Skills will likely fit into more than one category.

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<td>Cooperation – getting along</td>
<td>Integrity – doing the right thing</td>
<td>Self-advocacy – standing up for what you believe in</td>
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<td>Mind your own business</td>
<td>Honesty – telling the truth</td>
<td>Assertiveness – saying what you believe in</td>
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<td>Watch out for others</td>
<td>Loyalty – being true to your friends</td>
<td>Punctuality – being on time</td>
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<td>Clean Bodies</td>
<td>Apologize for mistakes</td>
<td>Team Work</td>
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<td>Clean Clothes</td>
<td>Consideration of others</td>
<td>Perseverance – sticking with something until you get it done</td>
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<td>Listening</td>
<td>Respectful of other people’s property</td>
<td>Good Attendance</td>
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<td>Helpfulness</td>
<td>Respectful of self</td>
<td>Giving Your Best Effort</td>
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<td>Participating</td>
<td>Respectful of others</td>
<td>Communication</td>
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<td>Willing to learn new things</td>
<td>Truthfulness</td>
<td>Neatness</td>
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<td>Sense of humor</td>
<td>Kindness</td>
<td>Meeting Deadlines</td>
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<td>Good sport</td>
<td>Trustworthiness – can be trusted</td>
<td>Fully Completing Work</td>
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<td>Positive attitude</td>
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<td>Learning From Mistakes</td>
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<td>Keep your hands to yourself</td>
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<td>Kind words</td>
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Missouri Mule Poem

There once was a mule in a field,
His stubbornness was his shield.
He kicked and he fussed,
He rolled in the dust.
So his unhappy fate was sealed.