

***P.S. 035 Manhattan High School***

**Course Code:** GSSG1QQA-06

**Syllabus for:** LIFE SKILLS

**Teacher Name:** FLORES

**Year and Term:** 2017-2018

**Learning Standards:**

RI.9-10.1

SL.9-10.1

L.9-10.1

S-IC

S-MD

Health standard 1,2,3

**Course Description:**

Basically, life skills are a group of skills that an individual needs to acquire for an independent life, as far as that life is possible. One could argue that the most important skills one acquires in life are the skills of sound character, such as honesty, kindness, and being responsible. At school, students need to acquire the whole realm of academic skills, including reading, writing, and solving math problems. In addition, school is a microcosm of society that demands the acquisition of appropriate social skills. Life skills also includes the many tasks that make up daily living, such as shopping, saving money, traveling, and eating.

## **Calendar or Unit Map:**

1.1: Qualities of a Good Character, 1.2: Honesty, 1.3: Kindness, 1.4: Loyalty, 1.5: Responsibility, 1.6: Flexibility, 1.7: Values

2.1: Values important to me, 2.4: Reputation, 2.5: Changing your reputation, 2.6: How you appear to others

3.8: Ready to work part-time

4.1: Encouraging Others, 4.2: Working in a group, 4.3: Working towards a common goal, 4.4: Being Friendly, 4.5: Helping Others, 4.6: What is a mood?, 4.7: How my mood affects others.

5.1: Peer Group, 5.2: Who are my friends, 5.3: Making Friends, 5.6: Where and how to look for friends, 5.7: Qualities of a Good Friend, 5.8: Social Situations, 5.9: A positive role model

6.3: Respecting authority, 6.4: My parents point of view, 6.9: Whom can I talk to

7.1: Best method of communication, 7.2: Being a careful listener, 7.5: Is this the right time and place?, 7.6: Communicating by cell phone, 7.7: Giving clear directions, 7.8: Verbal and nonverbal messages, 7.9: Collecting your thoughts, 7.10: Public speaking

8.5: Following written directions

9.3: Proof reading, 9.4: E-mailing Dos and Don'ts

11.1: School tasks for success, 11.2: Tools for the task, 11.4: Studying smarter, 11.5: Following Directions, 11.6: Doing homework, 11.7: Managing daily assignments, 11.8: Managing long-term assignments, 11.9: Completing assignments

### **Course Material:**

Notebook/binder  
pen/pencil  
colored pencils

### **Grading Policy:**

Exams (25%): Exams will be given twice per month. The exams will consist of multiple choice and open response questions. If you miss a test, see me so you could make it up. If you miss the test and the makeup, you will get a 0 on the exam.

Classwork (25%): Classwork grades are assessed by you the student using the rubric given to you. If you are absent you must see me to make up the work or get a 0 for the assignment.

Homework (25%): You will receive homework everyday except on Fridays and on test days. Homework is checked daily. If you are absent you are responsible for getting the homework. If you don't see me for the missed homework you will receive a 0 for it.

Projects (15%): You will receive two projects per term. If you don't hand in your projects you will receive a 0 on that assignment.

**Other expectations:**

Do the best you can in every class.

If you need to contact me you can via email at [jflores25@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:jflores25@schools.nyc.gov).

Anytime you need anything feel free to see me during my lunch break, on Fridays between 8-8:50am or after school on Tuesdays between 2:20-3:35