

## **Washington Township School District**



The mission of the Washington Township Public Schools is to provide a safe, positive, and progressive educational environment that provides opportunity for all students to attain the knowledge and skills specified in the NJ Learning Standards at all grade levels, so as to ensure their full participation in an ever-changing world as responsible, self-directed and civic-minded citizens.

Course Title:	Future Educato	ors			
Grade Level(s):	9-12				
Duration:	Full Year:	X	Semester:	Marking Period:	
Course Description:	The Future Educators program is designed for those students who are interested in a career in education. This course curriculum is designed to introduce students to the field of education. The curriculum will provide the opportunity to discover, through research and practice, issues in education, teaching methodologies, and classroom experiences. The Future Educators curriculum will emphasize educational pedagogy skills while also maintaining a heavy focus on the social and emotional needs of all students.  The Future Educators program provides an extensive overview of the various roles and careers in education. The program will provide students with the knowledge and practical experience to confirm their calling and to prepare them to pursue a career in education.  Content will be met by observations and a field experience internship in order for students to determine their interest in seeking a career in education or becoming a civic leader. Students will participate in observation experiences at the pre-school, elementary, middle, and high school levels. Future Educators will complete a 6-8 week field experience internship where they become acquainted with teachers and teaching on a personal and professional level in a classroom setting in the spring.				
Grading Procedures:	<ul> <li>Supportive Assessments         (Oral Presentations, Socratic Seminars, Cooperative Activities)</li> <li>Major Assessments &amp; Activities         (Tests, Benchmark Assessments, Published Writings, Projects)</li> <li>Minor Assessments &amp; Activities         (CW, Quizzes, Journals/WNB, Short Writing Responses)</li> </ul>				
Primary Resources:	Current Events				
	Scholarly Journals & Articles				
	Portfolio				
	Projects (Lessor	n Designs	5)		

## **Washington Township Principles for Effective Teaching and Learning**

- Implementing a standards-based curriculum
- Facilitating a learner-centered environment
- Using academic target language and providing comprehensible instruction
- Adapting and using age-appropriate authentic materials
- Providing performance-based assessment experiences
- Infusing 21<sup>st</sup> century skills for College and Career Readiness in a global society

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## **Units of Study**

**Unit 1: Teaching as a Profession** 

**Unit 2: Foundations of Education** 

Unit 3: Social, Emotional, and Learning Development in Students

**Unit 4: Diverse Learners** 

Unit 5: The Science, Art, and Service of Teaching

**Unit 6: Education in Practice (Field Experience)** 

## Unit 1 Title: Teaching as a Profession

## **Unit Description:**

Students will investigate and analyze the culture of schooling and classrooms by exploring various theories, social rules, structures, and current trends and issues in education. Emphasis will be placed on characteristics of effective teachers and establishing appropriate learning environments for diverse student populations.

Unit Duration: 3-4 weeks

Desired Results		
Standard(s):		
New Jersey Student Learning Standards	English Language Arts Standards	
Career Readiness, Life Literacies, Key Skills		
8.1-2	Reading	
9.1-2	NJSLSA.R1.	
	NJSLSA.R2.	
	NJSLSA.R3.	
	NJSLSA.R7.	
	NJSLSA.R8.	
	NJSLSA.R9.	
	Reading Informational Text	
	RI.11-12.1	
	RI.11-12.2	
	RI.11-12.3	
	RI.11-12.7	
	RI.11-12.8	
	RI.11-12.9	
	Writing	
	NJSLSA.W1	
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	NJSLSA.W8	
	NJSLSA.W9	

## Indicators:

Students will evaluate characteristics of an effective teacher.

Students will analyze and compare advantages and challenges of suburban, urban, and rural school settings.

Students will determine eligibility and qualifications for enrolling and acceptance into Teacher Prep.Programs in college.

**Students will** identify the differences between public, private, charter, vocational, magnet, and alternative school settings.

## **Understandings:**

Students will understand that...

- Schools are funded differently depending on the type of setting. Public schools are funded by the public, and accountable to the public, through local, state, and federal government
- Public Schools are open to EVERY student within residencies, provide EQUAL education for all, funded by state and property taxes of community and ran by elected officials (school board).
- Charter schools are publicly funded but operated independently.
- The challenges and advantages of school settings (location) greatly determine funding and success.

#### **Essential Questions:**

- Who are we as a classroom community, as individuals, and group members?
- What are my values and the values of my classroom?
- Who teaches in the United States and why?
- How do we prepare to teach?
- Is teaching a profession?
- What is teacher professionalism?
- What are the purposes of public schools in the United States?
- What is the culture of a school?
- How do school venues differ?
- What is school like at different levels?
- What are the three different settings of schools?
- What is an effective school?

## Assessment Evidence

#### **Performance Tasks:**

- List and explain common reasons why individuals choose to teach in the United States.
- Review current trends in teacher's salaries across the US. Identify the procedures involved in certification process to teach.
- Determine whether or not teaching is a profession, and list characteristics.
- Evaluate characteristics of an effective teacher.
- List the purposes of public schools in the US.
- Describe the elements that make up the culture of a school or classroom.
- Identify the differences, advantages & disadvantages of varying educational venues.
- Debate the current legislation of school choice.
- Compare and contrast the structure and organization of the different school levels.
- Analyze suburban, urban, and rural schooling.
- · List characteristics of effective schools.

#### Other Evidence:

- Teacher observations
- Informal checks for understanding
- Independent reading/student conferences
- Independent writing/student conferences
- Class discussions
- Collaboration with others
- Group work
- Classwork
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- Teacher-created tests and quizzes
- Teacher-created multimedia projects

#### Benchmarks:

**Unit 1 Project** 

## **Learning Plan**

## **Learning Activities:**

## Careers in Education (3-5 days)

## Get to Know Me presentation

Students will create and deliver a presentation of themselves, educational history, and explain why they choose teaching as a profession.

## "Where Do I Stand" questionnaire

Personal questionnaire to determine reasons why the students choose a future in teaching.

## "Effective Teaching" survey

Students will conduct traditional survey on opinions on effective teaching. Students, parents, community members, and teachers will participate in survey.

## "Effective Teaching" Reflection Paper

After analyzing data from survey, students will write a reflective paper on their conclusion of the research.

## **Teacher Preparation Programs and Certification (2 days)**

## College Research

Students will research 3 colleges/universities that offer a teacher preparation program. Outlining tuition, advantages/disadvantages, certifications offered, etc.. Then creating a 5-year personal plan to become teacher certified.

## Types of Schools (10 days)

## The Many Faces of Education

Brainstorm reasons why parents send their children to independent, private or special purpose schools. Create a presentation of the type of school assigned. List the advantages and disadvantages.

#### School Culture Case Studies

Students will read and evaluate various case studies and determine how the school culture could be enhanced.

## School Choice Debate

Students will read various articles and legislation on school choice then participate in a discussion of the advantages and disadvantages.

## School Settings Research

Students will read and research varying data on graduation rates, attendance, performance, etc in different school settings.

#### Resources:

## Social Studies 9-12 Folder

Literature Resources:

John Dewey: School and Society

## Video Resources:

"Dangerous Minds"

"Waiting for Superman"

"Two Million Minutes"

## Internet Resources:

NJ School Report Cards

https://www.edutopia.org/

https://nea.org

https://usnews.com

https://cultofpedagogy.teachable.com/

https://edweek.org

## **Varying Perspectives and Voices:**

Teaching Tolerance Resources

# Unit Learning Goal and Scale (Level 2.0 reflects a minimal level of proficiency)

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	<ul> <li>After comparing at least three Teacher Preparation Programs and determine which is the best to fit the</li> </ul>		
	needs of the individual student. Students will create a goal graphic organizer to show how and what		
	skills are necessary to get accepted into a program.		
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	of the individual student.		
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1.0 With help, partial success at level 2.0 content and level 3.0 content:			
0.0	0.0 Even with help, no success		

Unit Modifications for Special Population Students		
Advanced Learners	<ul> <li>Create additional and alternative assignments and assessments to create challenge and foster discovery of knowledge.</li> <li>Provide ample opportunities for creative behavior.</li> <li>Create assignments that call for original work, independent learning, critical thinking, problem solving, and experimentation.</li> <li>Show appreciation for creative efforts</li> <li>Respect unusual questions, ideas, and solutions.</li> <li>Encourage students to test their ideas.</li> <li>Provide opportunities and give credit for self-initiated learning.</li> <li>Avoid overly detailed supervision and too much reliance on prescribed curricula.</li> <li>Allow time for reflection.</li> </ul> Example of Modification: Teacher will provide Advanced Learner with choice assignments that encourage original work. For example, allowing students to	
Struggling Learners	<ul> <li>create their own graphic organizer to show their goals for their future.</li> <li>Facilitate access to review materials and remediation activities through OneNote content library and through online textbook content.</li> <li>Assist students in getting organized.</li> <li>Give short directions.</li> <li>Use drill exercises.</li> <li>Give prompt cues during student performance.</li> <li>Let students with poor writing skills use a computer.</li> <li>Break assignments into small segments and assign only one segment at a time.</li> <li>Demonstrate skills and have students model them.</li> <li>Give prompt feedback.</li> <li>Use continuous assessment to mark students' daily progress.</li> <li>Prepare materials at varying levels of ability.</li> </ul>	

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Special Needs Learners	<ul> <li>Follow IEP modifications and work with special education department to create modifications and use differentiated instructional activities: <ul> <li><a href="http://www.nj.gov/education/udl/">http://www.nj.gov/education/udl/</a></li> <li>Use concrete examples to introduce concepts.</li> <li>Make learning activities consistent.</li> <li>Use repetition and drills spread over time.</li> <li>Provide work folders for daily assignments.</li> <li>Use behavior management techniques, such as behavior modification, in the area of adaptive behavior.</li> <li>Break assignments into small segments and assign only one segment at a time.</li> <li>Demonstrate skills and have students model them.</li> <li>Encourage students to function independently.</li> <li>Give students extra time to both ask and answer questions while giving hints to answers.</li> <li>Give simple directions and read them over with students.</li> <li>Shorten the number of items on exercises, tests, and quizzes.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

## Indicators:

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## **NJJCCS 21st-Century Life and Careers Standards**

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- RL.11-12.3. Analyze the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a story or drama (e.g., where a story is set, how the action is ordered, how the characters are introduced and developed).
- RL.11-12.7. Analyze multiple interpretations of a story, drama, or poem (e.g., recorded or live production of a play or recorded novel or poetry), evaluating how each version interprets the source text. (e.g., Shakespeare and other authors.)
- RL.11-12.9. Demonstrate knowledge of and reflect on (e.g. practical knowledge, historical/cultural context, and background knowledge) eighteenth-, nineteenth- and early twentieth-century foundational works of literature, including how two or more texts from the same period treat similar themes or topics.
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- W.11-12.8. Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. (MLA or APA Style Manuals).
- W.11-12.9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

## Integration of 21st Century Skills

## Indicators:

Within the context of key knowledge instruction, students must also learn the essential skills for success in today's world, such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication and collaboration. Standards are taken from:

http://www.p21.org/storage/documents/docs/P21\_Framework\_Definitions\_New\_Logo\_2015.pdf

The curriculum includes not only a focus on mastery of key subjects, but also promote understanding of academic content at much higher levels by weaving 21st century interdisciplinary themes into key subjects:

## Themes:

Global Awareness Civic Literacy Environmental Literacy Information, Media, and Technology

## Skills:

Think Creatively
Work Creatively with Others
Implement Innovations
Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
Communication and Collaboration
Information, Media and Technology Skills

## Unit 2 Title: Foundations of Education

## **Unit Description:**

This unit addresses the foundations of education. The first section of this unit explores the history of education in the United States, spanning from before our country was officially formed all the way into the 21st century. Throughout the chapter, events in the history of our country are examined for their impact on education. The history of education in the US parallels the history of the country. Although once relatively simple and perceived as manageable, education in the US is now incredibly complex and often unwieldy, with issues to match. The second section of this unit focuses on the major philosophical views of education. Once students have the knowledge about the philosophies, students will then reflect on which philosophy represents their primary beliefs about teaching and learning.

Unit Duration: 2-3 weeks

Standard(s):	
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8.1-2 <u>Readi</u>	ing
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## Indicators:

Students will trace the transformation and changes to American education throughout history.

Students will identify major educational philosophies.

**Students will** apply major educational philosophies to personal beliefs and theories of education.

## **Understandings:**

Students will understand that...

- Education is reflective of society and therefore must encompass political, social, economic, and moral values of society.
- Education has drastically changed throughout history.
- Major education philosophies have helped to shape the priorities and focus of American education.

#### **Essential Questions:**

- What ways are today's schools a product of our past, and a reflection of today's society, its makeup, and our values?
- How are schools impacted by former and current educational philosophers?
- What are the Major influences, issues, ideologies, and individuals in 17<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup>- century American Education?
- In what ways do people's personal history reflect state and national trends in education?
- How did segregation impact our schools? Are schools integrated today? What is the future of integration and NJ schools?
- What caused the push for educational reform, its success or not, and is it currently effective?
- Why is a philosophy of education important?
- How do five prominent philosophies of education affect teaching and learning?
- How do I begin to develop my own personal philosophy of education?

## Assessment Evidence

#### **Performance Tasks:**

- Analyze schools today through a study of history of education in the nation and state.
- Identify and analyze various schools and educational philosophies.
- Determine how American education has changed in the lifetimes of people.
- Analyze the historical events and social impact of integration in the schools.
- · Evaluate school reforms.

## Other Evidence:

- Teacher observations
- Informal checks for understanding
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## Benchmarks:

**Unit 2 Project** 

## **Learning Plan**

## **Learning Activities:**

## History of Education (3-5 days)

History of Education Lesson Plan

Students will create a lesson instructing the class on a specific educational philosophy.

## **History of Education Timeline**

Students will create a timeline tracing the major changes in American education. Discuss "Educational Trends in America." IN groups, students will create a comprehensive presentation and timeline of the history of education in the US and NJ. Illustrations and summaries should be included.

## **Educational Philosophies (5-7 days)**

**Educational Philosophies** 

Students will create a lesson instructing the class on a specific educational philosophy (Essentialism, Progressivism, Perennialism, Existentialism, and Behaviorism)

## Personal Philosophy

Students will write a 2-page reflective essay outlining their personal beliefs of education "Philosophy of Education."

## **Resources:**

## Social Studies 9-12 Folder

<u>Literature Resources:</u>
<u>John Dewey: School and Society</u>
Maria Montessori Readings

## Video Resources:

"Lean on Me"

"Teaching Over Time"

"History of Education"

## **Internet Resources:**

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	<ul> <li>Research the history of major changes to American education, while predicting changes in the future.</li> </ul>
	These dates and events will be illustrated on a timeline.
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## Skills:

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Work Creatively with Others
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Communication and Collaboration
Information, Media and Technology Skills

## Unit 3 Title: Social, Emotional, and Learning Development in Students

## **Unit Description:**

Development refers to predictable changes throughout the human life span. During this unit, students will be able to identify the many developmental stages that occur between childhood and teenage years. Not only will students be able to identify, but they will also be able to explain how each of the stages impact learning in the classroom. Along with developmental stages, students will focus learning through the Social and Emotional lens. Students will research strategies that hone in on the social and emotional component to education. The course will also dive into the role of ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences) and learning. Students will examine trauma informed practices and apply them in lessons they create.

## Unit Duration: 6-7 weeks

## **Desired Results**

#### Standard(s):

New Jersey Student Learning Standards Career Readiness, Life Literacies, Key Skills	English Language Arts Standards
3.1-2	Reading
9.1-2	NJSLSA.R1.
	NJSLSA.R2.
	NJSLSA.R3.
	NJSLSA.R7.
	NJSLSA.R8.
	NJSLSA.R9.
	Reading Informational Text
	RI.11-12.1
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	RI.11-12.3
	RI.11-12.7
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	RI.11-12.9
	Writing
	NJSLSA.W1
	NJSLSA.W2
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	NJSLSA.W8
	NJSLSA.W9

## Indicators:

**Students will** identify the various styles of learning and be able to provide evidence of how to differentiate instruction.

Students will examine how Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs can be used to create a safe classroom and foster learning for all children.

Students will research Trauma Informed practices and support the strategies being used in every classroom.

#### **Understandings:**

Students will understand that...

- Developmental theories impact teaching by formulating explanations about why children act and behave the way they do and how they change over time.
- Differentiating instruction by evaluating, identifying and examining the physical, social, and personal challenges of all learners supports academic success along with enhancing workplace skills in preparing students for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century global community.
- Adverse Childhood Experiences can cause students to experience trauma. These experiences may impact student learning and achievement. It is the role of the educator to apply Trauma Informed practices to maximize learning, while meeting the needs of all students.

#### **Essential Questions:**

- What are multiple intelligences and how do they impact student learning and achievement?
- How can an educator differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all students?
- Why is social and emotional learning crucial in the development and learning process of a child?
- How can an educator seamlessly implement social and emotional learning into the curriculum?
- How does Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs reflect the student?
- How can Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs be used to create a safe classroom environment and foster learning?
- What are Adverse Childhood Experiences and how to these experiences impact student learning and achievement?
- How can educators implement Trauma Informed approaches to education?
- How can restorative practices be incorporated into a school culture?

## **Assessment Evidence**

#### **Performance Tasks:**

- Identify different preferred processing styles and explain their implications for lesson design.
- Discuss how nature versus nurture affects how students learn.
- Compare and contrast gender differences in education.
- Explain how Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs translates into a classroom setting?
- Identify physical developmental characteristics and stages from birth through eighteen.
- Identify cognitive developmental characteristics and stages.
- Discuss some characteristics and stages of moral development.
- Describe psychosocial developmental characteristics and stages.
- Identify and explain multiple intelligences.
- Determine analytical or global learning preferences and recognize the advantage or disadvantages of each.
- Describe the levels of Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs.
- Identify best practices in restorative justice.

## Other Evidence:

- Teacher observations
- Informal checks for understanding
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- Teacher-created tests and guizzes
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## Benchmarks:

**Unit 3 Project** 

## **Learning Plan**

## **Learning Activities:**

## Differentiated Instruction (3-5 days)

## Preferred Processing Styles

Complete questionnaires to identify individual preferred processing styles.

Suggested Handouts: Learning Styles Questionnaire, Learning Style Grid, Learning Pyramid: Average Retention

#### Differentiated Instruction Lesson Plan/ Project Directions

Students will create a student benchmark (lesson, project, etc...) that offers choice and differentiates instruction. Students will create student directions, a sample, and various product choices.

## **Developmental Stages (2-3 days)**

## Children's Book

Students will create a children's book on emotional and social stressors of children.

## **Developmental Stages Observation**

Students will observe a child care classroom or children they know and observe the different stages of development. Including safety features of the facility, importance of play, discipline, toys, teacher/child ratio, laws, etc..

## Design a Preschool

Design a model preschool or research different aspects about preschools

## Multiple Intelligences (5-10 days)

## Gardner's Multiple Intelligences

Discuss how people assess themselves using multiple intelligence inventories.

Suggested Handouts: Multiple Intelligences Inventory, Activity Chart for Multiple Intelligences

## Social and Emotional Education (3-5 days)

## The Importance of Social and Emotional Education

Research what Social and Emotional Education is and the importance of incorporating it in any school. Once students can define Social and Emotional Education, students will analyze achievement data of schools who have implemented a Social and Emotional program.

## Social and Emotional Program

Students will research Social and Emotional programs that have been implemented in schools. The programs will serve as a model for one student will create. Students will design a Social and Emotional program to implement at their current school.

## ACEs and Trauma Informed Education (8- 10 days)

#### **ACEs**

Students will research ACEs and discuss how ACEs could impact student learning.

#### ACEs Case Studies

Students will write responses to the case studies where students have experienced Trauma.

#### Trauma Informed Practices

Students will research Trauma Informed practices and reflect on which approaches would be most effective. Identify best practices in Restorative Justice.

#### Resources:

## Social Studies 9-12 Folder

#### Literature Resources:

Gardner's Multiple Intelligences

Special Education Classifications- NJDOE

## Video Resources:

Paper Tigers and Resilience Youtube Videos on ACEs

## **Internet Resources:**

https://www.transformingeducation.org/trauma-informed-sel-toolkit/

https://empoweringeducation.org/trauma-informed-schools-resources-curriculum-schools/

NJ School Report Cards

https://www.edutopia.org/

https://nea.org

https://usnews.com

https://cultofpedagogy.teachable.com/

https://edweek.org

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Teaching Tolerance Resources

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Within the context of key knowledge instruction, students must also learn the essential skills for success in today's world, such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication and collaboration. Standards are taken from:

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Global Awareness Civic Literacy Environmental Literacy Information, Media, and Technology

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## **Unit 4 Title: Diverse Learners**

## **Unit Description:**

This unit provides the opportunity to explore issues of diversity, including an understanding of the influence of exceptionalities, culture, family, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, religion, language of origin, ethnicity, and age upon the educational experience. Students will explore personal attitudes toward diversity and exceptionalities. If educators act on the knowledge research offers, we can realize the educational excellence we desire for all children.

Unit Duration: 8-9 weeks

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#### Indicators:

**Students will** identify how language, gender, sexuality, culture, race and/or religion impact the educational process.

**Students will** evaluate best educational practices to meet the needs of all students.

**Students will** review Special Education categories and how it pertains to IEPS and 504 plans.

## **Understandings:**

Students will understand that...

- Differentiating instruction by evaluating, identifying and examining the physical, social, and personal challenges of all learners supports academic success along with enhancing workplace skills in preparing students for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century global community.
- School culture affects the behavior and achievement of its students; therefore, classroom design, diverse instruction, and school environment must lend itself to cultural differences.

#### **Essential Questions:**

- How are gender differences manifested in schools?
- How are cultural and language diversity manifested in schools?
- What is the impact on students of diversity in family structure, religion, and socioeconomic status?
- What is Anti-Racist education?
- How might special needs and exceptionalities affect a person?
- How are terms related to special education helpful in dealing with students with special needs?
- What are some components that make for appropriate learning environments for special needs students?
- How does socioeconomic status impact student learning and achievement?
- How might labels affect a learner?
- What are some factors to consider when teaching English Language Learners?
- How might students overcome barriers to learning?
- Read various articles on the impact of gender and LGBTQ+ on education.
- Research bullying and LGBTQ+ articles and statistics.

## Assessment Evidence

#### **Performance Tasks:**

- Identify different preferred processing styles and explain their implications for lesson design.
- Discuss how nature versus nurture affects how students learn.
- Discuss the challenges and rewards of working with special needs students.
- Identify the need for greater understanding and sensitivity for disabled students.
- Define terms in dealing with students in special education.
- Through observations in special education classes, identify special needs and adapted teaching strategies.
- State how ostracism and labeling have negative impacts on the learner.
- Identify the causes, preventions, and treatments of some barriers to learning.
- Chart the characteristics, needs of, and strategies for working with ELL students.
- Create a presentation about special education or a barrier to an age-specific audience.
- Read various scholarly journals on how race impacts education.
- Research historical and current racists practices that lead to inequitable access of quality education.
- Identify and correct aspects of the school's curriculum that is an example of revisionist history.
- Design a unit (student choice) while incorporating diverse perspectives and authors.

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Benchmarks:

**Unit 4 Project** 

## **Learning Plan**

## **Learning Activities:**

## Special Education (10-15 days)

#### Categories of Special Education and History

Distinguish which category of special education matches a given scenario and identify modifications and accommodations. Suggested Handouts: Special Education: Policies, Procedures, and Laws, Special Education: Categories. Special Education: Cards

## Guest Speakers (CST, School Psychologist)

## Venn Diagram of IEP/504

Students will compare and contrast IEPS and 504s.

## **Disability Presentation**

Students will create a presentation (tri-fold) to display an assigned disability. The presentation must include definition, accommodations, challenges, and what teachers can do to meet the needs to the disability.

## Socioeconomic Status (5-6 days)

#### Data

Students will research educational data correlating socioeconomic status and educational achievement and write a reflection on the result.

## School to Prison Pipeline

Students will watch a video on the School to Prison Pipeline and identify school policies and practices that lead to the trend.

## School Funding Formulas

Students will review the district's budget and compare with a neighboring district.

## Gender & LGBTQ+ (5-8 days)

Read various articles on the impact of gender and LGBTQ+ on education.

Research bullying and LGBTQ+ articles and statistics.

#### Race and Anti- Racist Practices (8-10 days)

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## Resources for Anti-Racism

http://www.ascd.org/publications/newsletters/education-

update/oct19/vol61/num10/How-to-Be-an-Antiracist-Educator.aspx

https://libguides.usc.edu/c.php?g=744325&p=5908931

https://www.edutopia.org/article/guide-equity-and-antiracism-educators

## **English Language Learners (2-3 days)**

**Guest Speakers** 

## Resources:

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Rich Hill

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## Unit 5 Title: The Science, Art, and Service of Teaching

## **Unit Description:**

In this unit, students will discuss the curriculum, or "what" of teaching, and assessment, ways to determine if students are learning. Then students will gain a broad view of teaching by considering three major facets that are vital to teacher effectiveness- science, art, and service. The science of teaching is instruction, or the "how to"; the art of teaching involves, knowing when and how to use what strategy to teach so that students learn; and the service of teaching is that sometimes intangible approach to all that we do to enhance the lives of students, their families, and our communities. Lastly, we address the development and maintenance of a classroom environment is both positive and productive.

Unit Duration: 3 weeks

## **Desired Results**

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New Jersey Student Learning Standards	English Language Arts Standards
Career Readiness, Life Literacies, Key Skills	
8.1-2	Reading
9.1-2	NJSLSA.R1.
	NJSLSA.R2.
	NJSLSA.R3.
	NJSLSA.R7.
	NJSLSA.R8.
	NJSLSA.R9.
	Reading Informational Text
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	RI.11-12.2
	RI.11-12.3
	RI.11-12.7
	RI.11-12.8
	RI.11-12.9
	Writing
	NJSLSA.W1
	NJSLSA.W2
	NJSLSA.W3
	NJSLSA.W7
	NJSLSA.W8
	NJSLSA.W9

#### Indicators:

Students will identify how to build and maintain a productive and safe learning environment.

Students will evaluate most effective instructional strategies.

Students will design a classroom management philosophy.

## **Understandings:**

Students will understand that...

- Highly qualified teachers employ diverse strategies and methodologies when enhancing the classroom environment and instruction.
- Effective classroom instruction incorporates strategies that promote thinking, learning, and remembering along with enhancing desired behavior.
- Outstanding teachers foster a learning environment that encompasses optimism, responsibility, courage, respect, sensitivity, and passion preparing students for the 21<sup>st</sup> century global community.

#### **Essential Questions:**

- What makes for effective instructional strategies?
- How can questioning be used as an effective instructional strategy to address different levels of thinking?
- How might lecture be used as an effective instructional strategy?
- What are effective means by which an instructor might determine if a learner has mastered the lesson's content?
- How can the use of technology enhance learning?
- What routines and strategies can teachers use to promote desired behavior and to enhance learning?
- What are some characteristics of effective teachers?
- How can one look beyond superficial actions t get at the real basis of behavior and misbehavior, and thus, respond accordingly?
- How might students create lesson plans to incorporate effective instructional strategies?
- How do teachers create a positive learning environment?
- What routines contribute to maintaining a productive classroom environment?
- How do teachers establish expectations, incentives, and consequences?
- How do I develop a classroom management plan?

## Assessment Evidence

#### **Performance Tasks:**

- Through observations, identify procedures for basic classroom routine.
- List ways teachers can create a positive learning environment.
- Discuss the use of social media in the classroom.
- Compare and contrast the different routines and procedures in each level of school.
- Provide examples of effective ways teachers can establish expectations, incentives, and consequences.
- Discuss ways teachers can handle various disciplinary issues in the classroom.
- Define formal curriculum.
- Differentiate between content standards, performance standards (Common Core State Standards), and benchmarks.
- Describe how the government influences what is taught in classrooms.
- Define informal curriculum and provide examples.
- Determine how teachers assess and assign grades.
- Analyze how standardized tests are implemented and how their results are used.
- Identify the characteristics of a highly qualified teacher.
- Recognize strengths and weaknesses of diverse teaching methods and materials.
- Employ strategies for group instruction.

#### Other Evidence:

- Teacher observations
- Informal checks for understanding
- Independent reading/student conferences
- Independent writing/student conferences
- Class discussions
- · Collaboration with others
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- Teacher-created tests and quizzes
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- Illustrate questioning strategies effectively in lessons.
- Incorporate lecture into lessons.
- Examine effective and ineffective uses of technology in education.
- Describe various modes of assessment and their role in the educational process.
- Identify strategies that enhance learning based on current brain research.

## Benchmarks:

**Unit 5 Project** 

## **Learning Plan**

## **Learning Activities:**

## Creating and Maintaining a Positive and Productive Learning Environment (3-5 days)

## School Culture Case Studies

Students will read and evaluate various case studies and determine how the teacher can improve their classroom environment.

## Classroom Procedures and Management

Discuss and record observations about scenarios and conclude the importance about establishing clear routines.

## Classroom Rules

Students will create a poster and list classroom rules they feel are most important.

#### Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability (3-5 days)

## Standardized Tests Debate

Students will participate in a debate about the use of standardized tests.

#### Common Core Lesson

Students will create a lesson using the Common Core State Standards.

#### Rubrics and Assessments

Based on their lesson plan, students will create an assessment to determine growth and rubric to grade students.

## The Science, Art, and Service of Teaching (3-5 days)

#### The Good, the Bad, and OH MY!

After viewing teacher tube clips, discuss the traits and characteristics of 21st century teachers need to possess in order to prepare students to compete locally, nationally, and globally in education.

## Silent Graffiti

Using a white board, students reflect and respond to different methods of teaching and the positive or negative learning experience they have had in a classroom.

## "Bloom-ing Through Questions"

The teacher will facilitate a class discussion on how to make a smore. Each step the students will write down the instructions. Next, the teacher will ask students to identify, smell and taste the smore. Finally, students will write learning objective on how to build a smore and what it tastes like.

## How Do You Know They Know?

Discuss methods of assessment have been used through various levels of education. Students will then create a formal assessment.

## Resources:

## Social Studies 9-12 Folder

Internet Resources: NJ School Report Cards

https://www.edutopia.org/

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https://usnews.com

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## Varying Perspectives and Voices: Teaching Tolerance Resources

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2.0	Students will be able to:
2.0	Create an assessment that will meet the needs of all students.
1.0	With help, partial success at level 2.0 content and level 3.0 content:
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Unit	Modifications for Special Population Students
Advanced Learners	<ul> <li>Create additional and alternative assignments and assessments to create challenge and foster discovery of knowledge.</li> <li>Provide ample opportunities for creative behavior.</li> <li>Create assignments that call for original work, independent learning, critical thinking, problem solving, and experimentation.</li> <li>Show appreciation for creative efforts</li> <li>Respect unusual questions, ideas, and solutions.</li> <li>Encourage students to test their ideas.</li> <li>Provide opportunities and give credit for self-initiated learning.</li> <li>Avoid overly detailed supervision and too much reliance on prescribed curricula.</li> <li>Allow time for reflection.</li> </ul> Example of Modification: Teacher will provide Advanced Learner with choice assignments that encourage original work. For example, students would develop and plan a lesson to present to class.
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## **Interdisciplinary Connections**

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## NJJCCS 21st-Century Life and Careers Standards

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- W.11-12.8. Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation. (MLA or APA Style Manuals).
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## **Integration of 21st Century Skills**

#### Indicators:

Within the context of key knowledge instruction, students must also learn the essential skills for success in today's world, such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication and collaboration. Standards are taken from:

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## Themes:

Global Awareness

Civic Literacy

Environmental Literacy Information, Media, and Technology

## Skills:

Think Creatively
Work Creatively with Others
Implement Innovations
Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
Communication and Collaboration
Information, Media and Technology Skills

## Unit 6 Title: Education in Practice (Field Experience)

## **Unit Description:**

Students are placed throughout the district schools (elementary and middle) to utilize their skills and knowledge learned throughout the course and to complete their practicum part of the field experience. While students are participating in the field experience, they will be creating a portfolio to illustrate their learning.

Unit Duration: 5-7 weeks

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	NJSLSA.W8
	NJSLSA.W9

#### Indicators:

**Students will** observe a cooperating teacher at the elementary/middle school.

**Students will** participate in a field experience at the elementary/middle school classroom. Work closely with teacher and students to maximize learning.

**Students will** reflect on field experience and apply it to a future journey in education.

## **Understandings:**

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## Assessment Evidence

#### Performance Tasks:

- Students will be completing a comprehensive online portfolio, documenting the field experience.
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- Discuss the use of social media in the classroom.
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#### Benchmarks:

**Unit 6 Project (Portfolio)** 

## **Learning Plan**

## **Learning Activities:**

## Field Experience Internship Portfolio (Weebly.com)

Students will create a Field Experience Portfolio using the following categories:

- Draw a design of the classroom
- Profile the school
- Class Profile
- Lesson plans
- Profile on cooperating teacher
- Essay on best experience
- Essay on worst experience
- List of good ideas you have learned from your field experience
- Photo of activities
- Student work

## Resources:

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