



<u>Course Title: Family Life</u>		
<p><u>Description:</u> Family Life focuses on several topics affecting families in the 21st century. Students will have the opportunity to explore and discuss a wide variety of topics such as interpersonal relationships, parenting, balancing work and family responsibilities, adapting to life cycle changes and coping with different family crises. Students will also look more in-depth into parenting and the decisions needed to be effective and responsible parents. Students are given the opportunity to participate in a parenting simulation. <i>Prerequisite: Child Development with a C or better</i></p>		
<u>Reporting Topic</u>	<u>Course Level Standards</u>	<u>Competency Statement</u>
Defining a Family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze family as the basic unit of society. 6.1.1 (National Standard) 	Students will be able to explain various types of families.
Choosing a Partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze processes for building and maintaining interpersonal relationships. 3.1.1 Analyze factors that contribute to healthy and unhealthy relationships. 3.1.4 Analyze the effects of personal characteristics on relationships. 3.2.1 	Students will be able to describe the characteristics of a healthy relationship.
Life Partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze strategies to overcome communication barriers in family, community and work settings. 3.3.4 Analyze the effects of technology on communications in family, work, and community settings. 3.3.6 Demonstrate management of individual and family finances by applying reliable information and systematic decision-making. 7.7.1 	Students will be able to explain factors that will impact a relationship with a life partner.
Choosing to Parent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyze expectations and responsibilities of parenting. 5.1.2 Analyze community resources that provide opportunities related to parenting. 5.3.2 Analyze alternatives to biological parenthood. 5.4.3 	Students will be able to explain the responsibility of becoming a parent and decisions throughout the process.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Examine legal and ethical impacts of current and emerging technology on fertility and family planning. 5.4.4	
Parenting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyze societal conditions that influence parenting across the life span. 5.1.4• Explain cultural differences and similarities in roles and responsibilities of parenting. 5.1.5• Analyze nurturing practices that support human growth and development. 5.2.1• Apply criteria for selecting care and services for children and youth. 5.2.5	Students will be able to explain qualities and characteristics of effective parents.