

Resource

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2023–2024

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Course Description

This class is like a study hall, but with slightly different expectations since **it is a credit bearing class**. You will learn skills necessary to be successful in school and beyond. You will be tracked within your classes and expected to meet with the teacher to discuss current progress and programming needs (now and in the future).

Course Objectives

- Learn and Understand Your IEP
- Practice Organization and Academic Strategies
- Develop Coping Skills and Demonstrate Behavior Management
- Communicate And Advocate for Your Needs

Course Setup and Logistics

10–15 min	Skills work with case manager, grade check, daily check ins, set goal for individual work time.
50– 60 min	Individual work time, use this for studying, assignment completion, completing tests/quizzes
15–30 min	Transition Skills Lessons

Course Expectations for Participation

- Complete Check-In's and Weekly Grade Checks on Schoology
- Active Participation during Independent Work Time
- Work towards IEP components (first 10–15 mins of class)

Test/Quizzes/Support Outside of Resource Block

- You will NOT be able to come out of your classes for the 1st 10 minutes of EACH block
- MUST have an eHall pass to come out of your class to Resource
- Unless discussed with classroom teacher and Ms. Thornton, you WILL return to class for the last 15–20 minutes (Transition Skill Lessons)

Communication to and from Ms. Thornton:

- *Class Updates/ Changes:* **Schoology** is the go-to stop for all updates and changes
- *Email:* jmthornton@west-fargo.k12.nd.us
 - ***Email is preferred.*** I will respond the fastest with email.
 - I will respond to emails from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you do not receive a response after 1 school day, you may need to re-email me.
- *Phone:* **701–499–1880** (*Voicemail checked before and after school*)

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Communication Options for Students:

- *Technology issues:*
 - Students are expected to contact their case manager and/or contact the WFHS Student Help Desk on Schoology
- *Academic/Class Issues:*
 - Students are expected to contact their case manager and their teacher immediately if they are having difficulties with the material
- *Organizational/Social–Emotional Difficulties:*
 - Discuss with case manager and/or counselor as soon as possible

Grading

- You will have the *opportunity* to earn .25 credit per semester for successfully completing course expectations (listed above).
- *Scale*
 - 100–70 Satisfactory – SA
 - 69–below Unsatisfactory – UN
- *Eligibility*
 - Educators are expected to update the gradebook weekly (generally Thursdays), prior to weekly eligibility pull (Friday morning).
 - Any additional input of grades will be determined on a case–by–case bases.

Materials

- Provided by **WFHS** (*Bring CHARGED to ALL classes EVERY day*)
 - WFPS iPad, Charging Cord, and Logitech Crayon
- Provided by **Students** (*potentially available to BORROW from Ms. Thornton if needed*)
 - Pencils and other writing materials
 - Calculators
 - Headphones or earbuds
 - Organizational system for classwork, notes, and materials (file folder, separate folders and notebooks, or 3–ring Binder)