

Learning Support Syllabus 2024-2025

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The emphasis of this course will be placed on familiarizing yourself and implementing the skills required to be an effective learner. **Executive Functioning Skills (EFS)** are the tools that will help you recognize how you learn. Through lessons, activities, reflections and support you will build, strengthen and understand your own unique learning style.

Executive Functioning Skills include:

- Organizational skills and attitudes towards work
- Attention
- Communication
- Planning and goal setting
- Perseverance and maintaining focus
- Flexibility and “thinking outside-of-the-box”
- Time Management and self-control
- Working Memory
- Metacognition or “getting to know oneself”

Course Expectations

Students:

- Students will be receptive and utilize various learning strategies presented throughout this course
- Students will use their time in LAC wisely
- Students will attend class and participate in all classes and group discussions
- Students will be expected to come prepared to class with writing instruments and paper in a three ring binder
- Students will demonstrate a positive and inclusive attitude towards fellow students, educational assistants (EAs) and teachers
- Students will support and encourage the development of their own and others learning processes through a positive learning environment

Teacher:

- Teacher will support students with all of their academic goals
- Teacher will present strategies and skills that will be beneficial to every students learning needs
- Teacher will help students find their voice and advocate for them as needed

Agenda /Planner

Each student is expected to bring an agenda or planner to class. This is necessary to keeping on top of each of your class' academic requirements. I will be checking agendas each week of class and you will be assessed on whether you are routinely recording homework and planning for long-term assignments. *Agenda checks will be included in your assessment.*

Assessment

Each term your grade will be based on your individual achievement and daily performance with the Executive Functioning lessons and activities. Activities and lessons will be based on the following criteria:

Organization – *Time Management, Planner/Agenda System*

Planning – *Goal-Setting*

Self-Regulation Skills - *Self-Advocacy, Perseverance & Persistence, and Emotional Management*

Thinking & Reflecting - *Self-Assessment, Development of EF Skills, and Transfer Skills*

Parents & Guardians

Please review the LAC course outline with your parents or guardians and return this to me with both of your signatures to confirm that you agree to follow class guidelines. If you or your parents have any questions or concerns, please let me know!

Student Name: _____

Student Signature Parent /Guardian Signature

If you need to contact me with any questions or concerns, please e-mail me at ***speters@sd44.ca*** or send me a direct message through MS Teams.

Parents and Guardians: So we can keep the lines of communication open and effective, I would appreciate you letting me know who the main contact is for your child, along with your phone numbers and e-mail. Thank you.

Parent / Guardian Name: _____

Daytime Phone #: _____

Evening Phone #: _____

E-mail: _____