

Targeted Academic Skills for 21-22

Grades 9-12

1. By the end of 2021-2022 school year, students and families will have had the opportunity to engage in a series of virtual workshops, called “Ready for Life,” geared toward developing practical postsecondary skills for success. This approach is informed by school data reflecting the school’s average SAT score is 965, and that by summer 2021, 57% of the Class of 2018 was enrolled in college. Suggested topics include: SAT readiness, financial literacy, cyber citizenship, resume development, job interview skills, mental health and wellness, nutrition/cooking/exercise, and healthy relationships.

Strategies Families Will Apply at Home

1. Participate in virtual workshops made available by the school.
2. Find opportunities outside of school to practice the highlighted skills.

Strategies Educators Will Use to Enhance Family Capacity

1. Work with families to identify workshop topics that they think are most needed.
2. Recruit speakers, from among the staff and from community partners, to facilitate workshops.
3. Schedule and provide a virtual platform for workshops.
4. Advertise workshops to families and students.
5. Seek to integrate skills presented in Bard 101/102 and/or CTO classes.

Strategies Students Will Use to Master Targeted Academic Skills

1. Participate in virtual workshops.
2. Practice skills outside of school with their families.
3. Complete activities as developed in Bard 101/102 and/or CTO classes to reinforce the skills.

Monthly Family Events

WHEN	WHAT we will do to help families take action	HOW
September	Back to Bard Night: introduce families to Bard 101/102 and CTO curriculum; Title I annual meeting: discuss parent rights and responsibilities	Family engagement
October	Home-School Compact Meeting: solicit ideas from families about targeted academic goals and workshops we can offer to promote them	Family engagement
November	Ready for Life workshop: Class of 2022 parent meeting about applying for college and financial aid	Financial literacy; college readiness
December	Ready for Life workshop: Household budgeting (12/13/21)	Financial literacy
January	Ready for Life workshop: topic TBD	TBD
February	Ready for Life workshop: Helping your student prepare for the SAT	SAT readiness
March	Ready for Life workshop: topic TBD	TBD
April	Ready for Life workshop: topic TBD	TBD
May	Ready for Life workshop: topic TBD	TBD
Bimonthly	Continue virtual community meetings every other Monday to check in	Technology

	with families, get suggestions and feedback, advertise Ready for Life series.	
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