# **Course Description**

## A. COVER PAGE

1. Course Title Independent Living and Health  2. Transcript Title / Abbreviation Ind. Liv. And Health  3. Transcript Course Code / Number HE6235  4. School Ernest Righetti High School  5. District Santa Maria Joint Union High School  6. City	9. Subject Area  History/Social Science English Mathematics Laboratory Science Language other than English Visual & Performing Arts (for 2003) X Elective
Santa Maria	11th-12th
7. School / District Web Site	11. Seeking "Honors" Distinction?
http://www.smjuhsd.org	Yes x No
8. School Contact	12. Unit Value
Name: Cydney L. Dawson	x 0.5 (half year or semester equivalent)
Title/Position: Home Economics Department Chair	1.0 (one year equivalent)
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E-mail: cdawson@smjuhsd.org	13. Date of School Board Approval
14. Was this course previously approved by UC? Yes X No If so, year removed from list? Under what course title?	
15. Is this course modeled after an UC-approved course from another school? Yes X No  If so, which school(s)?	
16. Pre-Requisites Successful completion of 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Health Class or Instructors Approval	
17. Co-Requisites	
None	
18. Brief Course Description	
This course provides a practical curriculum designed to develop abilities necessary for establishing personal and professional goals, recognizing and acknowledging values, and making decisions based on those values and goals.	

#### **B. COURSE CONTENT**

#### Please refer to instructions

#### 19. Course Goals and/or Major Student Outcomes

This one semester course is designed to provide a combination of subject matter and activities to develop abilities necessary for assisting with and/or performing the common and important operations or processes concerned with:

- 1. Understanding the relationship between values, goals, and decision-making.
- 2. Awareness of the importance of Mental Health and recognizing symptoms of Mental Illness.
- 3. Assessment of risks and precautionary measures to stay safe in today's world.
- 4. Selection, purchase, and preparation of food, with emphasis on simple and inexpensive meals.
- 5. Housing selection and care.
- 6. Budgets and Finance
- 7. Clothing Care
- 8. Review of reproductive health issues including HIV and STI prevention and family planning methods.

#### 20. Course Objectives

#### Standards of Expected Achievement

- 1. Students identify their own values and goals and learn to apply decision-making model to everyday life.
- 2. Students research a Mental Illness and present symptoms and prognosis to the class.
- 3. Students acquire knowledge to increase safety awareness at home and in the community.
- 4. Students apply practical knowledge of kitchen equipment, safety and sanitation, and cooking methods to basic recipe preparation.
- 5. Students use resources to select housing which meets financial and personal needs, to understand and accept the responsibilities of renting and to interpret information found in a lease.
- 6. Students explore the criteria for a realistic, workable budget.
- 7. Students apply the basic knowledge necessary to get the most from their clothing dollars.
- 8. Students assess risks of sexual activity and re-visit the benefits of an abstinent lifestyle.

#### 21. Course Outline

#### 22. Texts & Supplemental Instructional Materials

Refer to: <u>Secondary Adopted Texts and Approved Supplementary Books used in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District.</u>

#### 23. Key Assignments

#### 24. Instructional Methods and/or Strategies

#### Activities:

Use of supplementary periodicals, films, filmstrips, visual aids, and demonstration materials. Guest Speakers may also be available to speak with students regarding a variety of applicable topics.

#### 25. Assessment Methods and/or Tools

Students will be evaluated through a variety of assessment tools. Students will be evaluated on mastery of content and skills, class participation, and effort.

### C. HONORS COURSES ONLY

Please refer to instructions

26. Indicate how this honors course is different from the standard course.

### D. OPTIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Please refer to instructions

- 27. Context for Course (optional)
- 28. History of Course Development (optional)