



GPSD Course Syllabus

Course Title: Intermediate Woodworking

Grade Level: 9-12 Credit Available: 0.5 Pre-Requisite: None

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Grades will be issued at the end of the first and second semester. Progress reports will be mailed home at the end of 6 and 12 weeks. Parents and students are encouraged to follow progress on Power School. Visit the district webpage to learn more about how to access your account.

Course Description: Intermediate Woodworking builds on the skills learned in Beginning Woodworking and allows the student to construct a project of their own choice (with instructor approval). Emphasis is placed on quality work and attention to detail in the design and construction of fine furniture and cabinetry. This is a project oriented course and students are evaluated on work ethic, attention to detail and student responsibility.

Course Expectations: This course is designed to reflect the expectations and requirements found in a real life workplace environment. As such, students will be expected to function safely, stay on task during class time and improve their skill levels throughout the course of the semester.

Course Standards: ***All three Course Standards must be passed in order for a student to receive credit for the class!***

Specific Course Standards:

1. Safety: Maintain safe and healthful working conditions and environment to ensure employee safety.
 - a. I can work safely in the shop.
 - b. I can describe and demonstrate the safety requirements for all individual machines in the shop that I am required to operate.
 - c. I can safely operate all machines in the shop that I am required to operate.
 - d. I can maintain a safe and clean working environment.
2. Apply Math: Use mathematics in the manufacturing process.
 - a. I can read a tape measure.
 - b. I can accurately measure and mark using a variety of tools.
 - c. I can add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions.
 - d. I can calculate board footage.
 - e. I can estimate the cost of a given project.
3. Technical Skills: Describe and employ technical skills and knowledge required for careers in manufacturing in order to perform basic workplace activities common to manufacturing.
 - a. I can identify the basic types of joinery used in woodworking.
 - b. I can identify the machine or hand tool choices available to me to create a particular joint.
 - c. I can identify the best choice of machine or hand tool available to me to create a particular joint.
 - d. I can create the following types of joinery using the proper techniques on the proper machines;

1. Butt joint (with or without pocket joinery)
 2. Rabbet joint
 3. Dado joint
 4. Lamination (edge joining)
- e. I can set-up machines for specific cuts.
1. Change out router bits.
 2. Accurately set up the dado saw for a required cut.
 3. Accurately set up a mortise machine for a required cut.
 4. Accurately set up a drill press for a required cut.

District Grading Scales:

Letter Grades	Rubric Scale	Definition
A	5	Mastery
B	4	Approaching Mastery
C	3	Proficient
I	2	Working Toward Proficient Note: An “I” will not be issued as a final grade
F	1	Not Proficient

Grading Criteria and Categories:

Academic grades will reflect a student’s mastery of the subjects knowledge and skills according to state standards.

80% of a student’s grade will be based on categories 2 and 3 listed below (the summative portion of your grade).

20% of a student’s grade will be based on category 1 listed below (the formative portion of your grade).

Grading categories include the following;

1. Practice; includes daily work, quizzes, warm-ups, attendance and behavior.
2. Knowledge; includes tests, project progress, behavior (such as application of acceptable safety practices).
3. Skill; includes proficiencies, project completion, project quality, safety.

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Late or Missing Work:

Late work will be penalized by a reduction of 10% in the overall available points for each day that any particular item is late. Students must complete assignments and submit them to the teacher in a timely manner in order to demonstrate that they are working toward proficiency. There will be specific cut-off dates for specified work after which late work will no longer be accepted and the student will receive a grade of “0”.

Missing work will receive a grade of “0”.

Reassessment:

All students will be required to pass a series of safety tests in class prior to beginning work out in the shop. Two of these safety related tests are specific in that they must be passed with a score of 100% (the “s

Safety Test” and the “Machine Tool” test). Students who miss three or fewer questions on either of these tests will be allowed to fix their mistakes in class and turn them back in for a passing grade. If a student misses more than three questions on either of these tests, they will be required to complete a homework assignment which will be directly related to the questions missed. Upon satisfactory completion of this homework assignment the student must then schedule a time to come in (outside of class) to re-take the test. Missing an appointed time and date for a test re-take is considered to be another failed attempt at the test. If a student does not pass either test after their third attempt we must consider the possibility that this course may not be the best choice for the individual student.

Required Texts and Other Supplies/Fees:

There is a \$15.00 fee for this class. **Students will not be allowed to participate in lab activities until this fee is paid. If for some reason you cannot afford this fee, **arrangements need to be made in writing** (letter to the teacher from a parent or guardian) by the end of the second week of the semester. **A student will not be kept from participating in this course due to lack of funds!!!**

Students will also have to complete a pre-determined project during the course of the class in order to receive a passing grade. Students are also responsible for the costs of materials which are needed to complete this project. If for some reason you cannot afford this fee, **arrangements need to be made in writing** (letter to the teacher from a parent or guardian) by the end of the second week of the semester. **A student will not be kept from participating in this course due to lack of funds!!!**

Class Policies:

- Students will show competence and understanding of safety in the shop in the form of written exams and in daily practice in the shop.
- Students will maintain a proper work ethic in all aspects of the course.
- Students will practice integrity and respect for others in the classroom.
- Students will be able to identify and safely operate all major tools in the shop.
- Students will be able to read plans, measure, layout and machine, construct and finish materials to be used in the construction of projects.

Academic Support:

Differentiation strategies available in this class may include extension activities, acceleration, or other activities, depending on the needs of the student.

Please sign below, cut and return to the classroom teacher

Student Name: _____ Course Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

I have read this course syllabus and understand the content.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____