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checklist

$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	Standard/Benchmark
	Applies appropriate academic and technical skills Academic skills and technical skills complement one another. A career ready individual applies these skills in a strategic manner to accomplish workplace tasks.
	A. Academic Attainment
	B. Technical Skill Attainment
	C. Strategic Thinking
	Communicates effectively and appropriately Expressing ideas, providing instruction, informing others, sharing knowledge and providing customer service are critical in a career.
	A. Speaking
	B. Writing
	C. Presentations
	D. Professional Etiquette
	E. Customer Service
	Contributes to employer and community success Career ready means more than attending to self-interest. It also means the ability to see the bigger picture of playing a role in the success of the employer and community through personal, civic and community actions.
	A. Personal Responsibility
	B. Meets Workplace Expectations
	C. Civic Responsibility and Service
	Makes sense of problems and perseveres in solving them Recognizing and solving problems is a daily requirement of nearly every American worker and entrepreneur. From small technical issues, to group dynamics, to design of overall systems, opportunities abound for the career ready individual to solve problems in the workplace.
	A. Perceptiveness
	B. Problem Solving
	C. Perseverance/Work Ethic
	Uses critical thinking Nearly all careers now require interaction with complex systems of technical components, complex dynamics of people or both. Many decisions are not simple and straightforward; rather, they require the ability to intelligently reason through and make complex decisions.
	A. Critical Thinking
	B. Decision-Making
	C. Adaptability

$\overline{\mathbf{A}}$		Standard/Benchmark
	.	Demonstrates innovation and creativity
		The 21st century workplace requires innovation through creative thinking. Successful individuals will be expected to generate and share new ideas.
		A. Creativity
		B. Innovation
	m m m	Models ethical leadership and effective management The ability to influence others relies on leadership. Today's workplace provides greater transparency
		and accountability where the ability to ethically lead and manage is essential.
		A. Leadership
		B. Ethics
		C. Management
	Å EÅ	Works productively in teams and demonstrates cultural competency Teams of individuals with diverse cultural backgrounds have become the new norm of operation in the American workplace. The career ready individual is prepared to collaborate with colleagues representing various backgrounds.
		A. Teamwork
		B. Conflict Resolution
		C. Social and Cultural Competence
		Utilizes technology The career ready individual has an understanding of how to use technology and apply it successfully in the workplace. Advances in technology require individuals to quickly learn and use many tools and applications.
		A. Data Gathering, Access and Management
		B. Tools and Applications
		C. Technology Ethics
	À	Manages personal career development Managing a personal career includes exploration, preparation and participation. Each person is responsible for creating and maintaining their own career. Career management includes understanding and meeting the expectations for behavior and skills in the workplace.
		A. Planning
		B. Job Seeking
		C. Résumés, Portfolios and Interviews
		D. Professional Development
		E. Entrepreneurship
	, Table	Attends to personal and financial well-being
		The career ready individual recognizes the benefits of physical, mental, social and financial well-being to be successful in a career.
		A. Personal Well-being
		B. Financial Well-being

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