

# Department of Teaching & Learning Parent/Student Course Information

# Keyboarding (BE 6151) One-half Credit, One Semester Grades 8

Counselors are available to assist parents and students with course selections and career planning. Parents may arrange to meet with the counselor by calling the school's guidance department.

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course is designed for secondary school students to develop and enhance touch skills for entering alphabetic, numeric and symbol information on a keyboard. Students compose and produce personal, educational and professional documents.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

None

#### STUDENT ORGANIZATION

The Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is the co-curricular organization for secondary Business and Information Technology students. The organization enhances occupational preparation for students by helping them attain the following goals: leadership skills; knowledge of the American enterprise system; self-confidence; improvement of home, business, and community; scholarship; citizenship; and career goals.

#### **PREREQUISITE**

None

#### **OPTIONS FOR NEXT COURSE**

Desktop, Multimedia & Web Technologies

#### REQUIRED STUDENT TEXTBOOK

None

#### COMPETENCIES FOR KEYBOARDING

#### Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Personal Qualities and People Skills 001 Demonstrate positive work ethic. 002 Demonstrate integrity. 003 Demonstrate teamwork skills. 004 Demonstrate self-representation skills. Demonstrate diversity awareness. 005 006 Demonstrate conflict-resolution skills. 007 Demonstrate creativity and resourcefulness. Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Professional Knowledge and Skills 008 Demonstrate effective speaking and listening skills. 009 Demonstrate effective reading and writing skills. 010 Demonstrate critical-thinking and problem-solving skills. 011 Demonstrate healthy behaviors and safety skills. 012 Demonstrate an understanding of workplace organizations, system and climates. Demonstrate lifelong-learning skills. 013 014 Demonstrate job-acquisition and advancement skills. 015 Demonstrate time-, task- and resource-management skills. Demonstrate job-specific mathematics skills. 016 017 Demonstrate customer-service skills. Demonstrating Workplace Readiness Skills: Technology Knowledge and Skills Demonstrate proficiency with technologies common to a specific occupation. 018 019 Demonstrate information technology skills. 020 Demonstrate an understanding of Internet use and security issues. 021 Demonstrate telecommunications skills. **Examining All Aspects of an Industry** Examine aspects of planning within an industry/organization. 022 023 Examine aspects of management within an industry/organization. 024 Examine aspects of financial responsibility within an industry/organization. Examine technical and production skills required of workers within an industry/organization. 025 Examine principles of technology that underlie an industry/organization. 026 027 Examine labor issues related to an industry/organization. 028 Examine community issues related to an industry/organization. 029 Examine health, safety and environmental issues related to an industry/organization. **Addressing Elements of Student Life** 030 Identify the purposes and goals of the student organization. 031 Explain the benefits and responsibilities of membership in the student organization as a student and in professional/civic organizations as an adult. 032 Demonstrate leadership skills through participation in student organization activities, such as meetings, programs and projects. Identify Internet safety issues and procedures for complying with acceptable use standards. 033

#### **Keyboarding**

- O34 Identify computer system components.
- Describe ergonomic and repetitive strain injury (RSI) guidelines related to safe computer use.
- Maintain workstation, equipment, materials and supplies.

- Boot, access, reboot and shut down an operating system and start and exit software programs.
  Use best practices for computer security.
- Input data and commands using peripherals (e.g., keyboard, light pen, mouse, scanner, audio/voice input, voice recognition).
- 040 Key alphabetic, numeric, and symbol information, using a touch system and correct techniques.
- Manipulate data/software/operating system using ribbons, launchers, icons, pull-down menus, mouse and function keys.
- Use file external storage device (i.e., Universal Serial Bus [USB] and online (e.g., Google Docs, Web pages, e-mail) management techniques, such as copy, clear cache, move, store, rename, retrieve, save, delete and create/manipulate directories.
- 043 Improve keyboarding techniques.
- O44 Increase keyboarding speed and accuracy.
- O45 Proofread copy, using proofreaders' marks.
- Write letters, memos, e-mails, reports, blogs, outlines and tables, using the English writing process steps.
- 047 Key and format letters, memos, e-mails, reports, outlines, columns and tables.
- 048 Edit copy.
- Key, format, and merge addresses on labels and envelopes.
- Produce documents incorporating graphic elements, including tables and graphs.
- Obtain assistance for preparing documents from electronic and hard-copy references and documentation (e.g., help screen, spell check, user's manual, dictionary, grammar check, thesaurus, Internet search).
- Troubleshoot computer problems (e.g., cable hookups, power sources, operational supplies).
- Correlate keyboarding skills with the appropriate career pathways.
- Develop or update a résumé and an electronic résumé.
- Complete an online and/or a written job application form.
- O56 Create an electronic and/or hard-copy portfolio containing representative samples of student work.
- O57 Identify potential employment barriers for nontraditional groups and ways to overcome the barriers.

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