



This year we have been busy developing life skill routines across the district. What are life skills you say? It's more than cooking and sewing they are really those 21st century skills we all need to be successful. Each month we are sharing a life skill and how it develops over a lifetime. We have broken down this development into age groups so you will know what to expect from your students.

Organizing and Decluttering

—we chose this now so you can prepare to restart the year in an organized manner

Age 4-7

- Sort like items for proper storage
- Pick up toys
- Keep clothing on hooks/hangers
- Help tidy room
- Care for belongings

Age 8-12

- Keep school papers in order
- Gather supplies needed for task
- Keep room tidy
- Know which materials are required for the day

Ages 13-15

- Able to break down complicated projects into steps
- Organize room biannually and toss items they don't need
- Study for the written driving test independently

Ages 16-18

- Keep a vehicle free of trash, esp if sharing it with the family

One thing I can do

Teacher 4-7 - sorting tasks, clean up and help tidy the room

Teacher 8-12 – Have them clean out locker or backpack

Have class write a list for what is needed for a task

GET READY DO DONE works well here

Teacher 13-15 – have students take a major project and make a sticky note for each milestone or check point

LOCKER clean outs.

Teacher 16-18 – organize and plan in planner for extra curricular job and activities. Help plan activities and check up on others and their progress..