# Midwest Region PASS Dissemination Center Course Description

## **Study Skills**

#### **SCOPE OF COURSE**

The Study Skills Course helps students discover the best learning style for their situation. The course offers information and activities to help improve reading, writing, speaking, listening, problem solving skills, and test taking strategies.

#### **SEQUENCE OF SKILLS**

## **UNIT 1 – Learning Styles**

- 1. Characteristics of Physical Learning Styles
- 2. Characteristics of Intrinsic Learning Styles
- 3. Characteristics of Emotional Learning Styles
- 4. Discover Individual Learning Style

# **UNIT 2 – Fundamentals**

- 1. Critical Thinking
- 2. Speaking
- 3. Listening
- 4. Spelling Rules
- 5. Mechanics
- 6. Analyzing Text
- 7. Letter Writing

# <u>UNIT 3 – Methods of Study</u>

- 1. Ways to Study
- 2. Outlining and Notetaking
- 3. Diagnosing Fiction
- 4. Sequencing: Cause and Effect
- 5. Visual Aids
- 6. Parts of a Book
- 7. The Internet

### UNIT 4 – Words, Words, Words

- 1. Antonyms, Synonyms, Homonyms, Context Clues
- 2. Entomology
- 3. The Versatile English Language
- 4. Emotional Language
- 5. Problem Solving
- 6. The Main Idea
- 7. Summarizing

# <u>UNIT 5 – Test Strategies and Research Techniques</u>

- 1. Reading Directions
- 2. Objective Test Strategies
- 3. Essays Literary and Personal
- 4. The Interview
- 5. Researching
- 6. Writing the Research Paper
- 7. Editing and Proofreading