Course: Fundamental Ag Mechanical Technologies

Course Description: Fundamental Ag Mechanical Technologies is offered to help students build basic knowledge and skills in the area of agricultural mechanics, along with soft skills necessary for careers in the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources sector. Topics covered in this course include: electricity, engines and ag technology. More substantial knowledge on the individual topics comes in advanced courses such as Ag Systems Technology, Ag Metal Fabrication, and Fundamental Ag Structures. Classroom and laboratory content may be enhanced by utilizing appropriate equipment and technology. Algebra, geometry, English and human relation skills will be reinforced in the course. Work-based learning strategies appropriate for this course are school-based enterprises and field trips. This class is reinforced through the FFA and Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) programs, the Ag Mechanics Career Development Event, and related Proficiency Experience or Internship Project. Each student will be expected to maintain a SAE.

Career Cluster: Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources

Prerequisites: Recommended: Introduction to AFNR

Program of Study Application: Fundamental Ag Mechanical Technologies is a first pathway course in the Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Program of Study, Power Systems pathway. Fundamental Ag Mechanical Technologies is preceded by a Cluster course and is recommended to be taken prior to participation in Ag Systems Technology or Ag Metal Fabrication.

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<td>- Preventative strategies for safe workplaces</td>
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<td>- Complete OSHA 10-hour Safety Certification</td>
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<td>- Operate equipment and tools to perform a given task</td>
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Benchmarks:
Students will be assessed on their ability to:
- Demonstrate welding and electrical safety.
- Demonstrate shop safety (first aid, fire extinguisher).
- Demonstrate equipment and machinery safety.
- Perform pre-operation inspections.
- Compare and contrast lubrication and fluid viscosity.
- Classify and identify tools.
- Apply safe operation of cordless tools.
- Apply safe operation of power tools.
- Assess the proper safety procedures for using machinery, equipment and tools.
- Investigate accidental case studies to determine safety violations.

Academic Connections

ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):

Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):

- Students present safety procedures on a given tool or equipment.

INDICATOR #FAM 2: Identify maintenance procedures & schedules for mechanical equipment, power and agricultural technology.

SUB-INDICATOR 2.1 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept): Identify parts and explain functions of various mechanical systems.

SUB-INDICATOR 2.2 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept): Investigate common maintenance schedules and practices for equipment.

SUB-INDICATOR 2.3 (Webb Level: 3 Strategic Thinking): Troubleshoot problems in mechanical systems.

Knowledge (Factual):
- Maintenance procedures for mechanical equipment, power and ag technology
- Parts of mechanical systems
- Reading a maintenance manual for equipment

Understand (Conceptual):
- To conduct maintenance in a safe and efficient manner.
- Ensure effective implementation and control of maintenance activities.
- Ability to identify a problem and develop a solution.

Do (Application):
- Lubricate machinery and equipment
- Perform machine adjustments (belts, chain drives, sprockets, etc.)
- Participate in the Ag Mechanics CDE
**Benchmarks:**
Students will be assessed on their ability to:

- Create a model hydraulic system.
- Create a model pneumatic system.
- Compare and contrast exhaust systems.
- Identify and explain functions of internal combustion engine components.
- Demonstrate proper disposal of waste products.
- Design a preventative maintenance schedule (tire rotation, oil changes, check fluid levels, etc.).
- Assess parts for replacement.
- Select, calibrate, and use measuring and testing devices.
- Select the correct tools or materials for the job at hand.
- Analyze problems and develop solutions for mechanical systems.

**Academic Connections**

**ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):**

**Math:**
1) HSG.MG.A.1 - Use geometric shapes, their measures, and their properties to describe objects
2) HSN.Q.A.3 - Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.

**Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):**

- Create a model of a hydraulic or pneumatic system.
- Select, calibrate, and use measuring and testing devices

**INDICATOR #FAM 3: Demonstrate basic skills in project planning and metal fabrication.**

**SUB-INDICATOR 3.1 (Webb Level: 3 Strategic Thinking):** Create sketches of metal projects.

**SUB-INDICATOR 3.2 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept):** Demonstrate basic welding principles and techniques.

**SUB-INDICATOR 3.3 (Webb Level: 3 Strategic Thinking):** Employ metal fabrication principles to create a metal project.

**Knowledge (Factual):**
- Drawing scale representations
- Welding and metal fabrication principles

**Understand (Conceptual):**
- Welding and fabrication techniques
- Relationship between sketch model and the final

**Do (Application):**
- Create a metal project from a sketch using different welding techniques
- Draw a sketch to scale
Using geometric shapes to draw a sketch

Knowledge of metal properties and use in ag

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<td>-Compare possible metals to use for a project based on their properties</td>
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**Benchmarks:**
*Students will be assessed on their ability to:*

- Draw a scale representation of a metal project.
- Create a list of materials for a metal project.
- Develop a bill of materials for a metal project.
- Bend, cut, shape, and grind metal.
- Identify welders and controls.
- Prepare metal for welding.
- Perform various welding positions and welding joints.
- Demonstrate welding positions.

**Academic Connections**

**ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):**

Math:
1) HSG.CO.D.12 - Make formal geometric constructions with a variety of tools and methods
2) HSG.MG.A.1 - Use geometric shapes, their measures, and their properties to describe objects

**Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):**

- Sketch a metal project using various measurement techniques. Create a metal project from the sketch using different welding techniques.
- Draw a scale representation of a metal project.

**INDICATOR #FAM 4: Apply electrical principles in agricultural applications.**

**SUB-INDICATOR 4.1 (Webb Level: 1 Recall):** Recognize the components and functions of electrical systems.

**SUB-INDICATOR 4.2 (Webb Level: 3 Strategic Thinking):** Demonstrate fundamental principles of electricity.

**Knowledge (Factual):**
- Components of electrical systems
- Ohm's Law

**Understand (Conceptual):**
- Relationship of electrical components
- Importance of following electrical codes to wire an

**Do (Application):**
- Calculate voltage drop for electrical equipment
- Wire a wall for two-way or three-way circuits
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**Benchmarks:**  
*Students will be assessed on their ability to:*  
- Identify electrical safety equipment.  
- Use volt and amp meters.  
- Identify classes of wire.  
- Select the proper wire, wire nuts, junction boxes, switches, outlets, for a circuit.  
- Recognize electrical systems.  
- Interpret wire code regulations.  
- Describe techniques for grounding.  
- Determine circuit protection requirements.  
- Wiring a circuit for a light controlled by a switch.  
- Interpret schematic drawings for an electrical system.

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| Science:  
1) HS-PS3-4 - Plan and carry out an investigation to provide evidence that the transfer of thermal energy when two components of different temperature are combined within a closed system results in a more uniform energy distribution | -Wiring a circuit for a light controlled by a switch |

**INDICATOR #FAM 5:** Investigate emerging agricultural technologies.

**SUB-INDICATOR 5.1 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept):** Investigate new and/or existing technology in agriculture.

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agriculture industry
- Precision agriculture practices

technology
- Use precision ag technology to make management decisions for a farm

field

**Benchmarks:**
*Students will be assessed on their ability to:*
- Discuss GPS use in machinery.
- Discuss GIS use in the agriculture industry.
- Research robotic applications in agriculture (robotic welders, milkers, farm equipment sensors).
- Compare and contrast agricultural technologies in new and existing systems.

**Academic Connections**

**ELA Literacy and/or Math Standard (if applicable, Science and/or Social Studies Standard):**

**English:**
1) 9-12 W.6 – Use technology, including the internet, to produce an individual writing product.

**Sample Performance Task Aligned to the Academic Standard(s):**

- Write a report on the agricultural technologies in new and existing systems.

**INDICATOR #FAM 6:** Develop employability skills related to the Power, Structural, and Technical Systems Pathway.

**SUB-INDICATOR 6.1 (Webb Level: 2 Skill/Concept):** Develop soft skills to enhance employability.

**Knowledge (Factual):**
- Proper communication skills

**Understand (Conceptual):**
- Importance of employability skills in careers
- Differentiate appropriate behaviors between work (formal) and informal environments

**Do (Application):**
- Job shadow
- Tour industry

**Benchmarks:**
*Students will be assessed on their ability to:*
- Perform a mock interview.
- Create professional questions for an industry tour.
- Compose a cover letter and resume.

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<td>English: 1) 9-12 SL.1 - Participate in collaborative discussion</td>
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### Additional Resources
- OSHA Safety Certification
- National Career Readiness Certification
- Communities of Practice
- Ag Education Discussion Lab
- Ag Mechanics CDE
- Job Interview CDE
- Ag Sales CDE
- Star in Ag Business
- Ag Mechanics Fabrication and Design E/P
- Ag Mechanics Repair and Maintenance E/P
- [http://quizlet.com](http://quizlet.com) – search tools and safety
- Smithsonian Motor Works Engines
- Quizlet- Tool ID Flashcards
- Modern Marvels: Saws
- Modern Marvels: Hydraulics
- Read a ruler ([www.rulergame.net](http://www.rulergame.net))
- [www.sketchup.com](http://www.sketchup.com)
- Job shadow an electrician
- Modern Marvels: Electricity
- Modern Marvels: Wiring America
- Google Earth
- Farming Simulator 17
- AgExplorer
- National Career Readiness Certification