Career Development/Academic Standard
Unit 2: High School Registration

Essential Understandings	Knowledge of curriculum and graduation requirements contributes to informed decision making and academic success.  There are certain skills needed for students to make appropriate decisions regarding the high school curriculum and 9 <sup>th</sup> grade courses as well as the high school block schedule.
Essential Questions	What skills are needed to investigate and evaluate course requirements/selection and schedule?
Essential Knowledge	Students will understand the course/program options and the procedure for obtaining teacher recommendations. They will also understand what constitutes both "Required" and "Elective" classes and how to choose them.
Vocabulary (examples)	Credits, Block Schedule, Graduation Requirements, Pre- requisite, 4-year Plan, Honors/AP Classes, Academic Class, Prep Class (levels), Course of Study, Electives, Alternative Electives
Essential Skills	Students will use the Course of Study Book and teacher/parent feedback to select required and elective classes to maintain an appropriate course load. Students will obtain required signatures for those classes as well as selecting electives. <ul> <li>Learn and apply critical thinking skills</li> <li>Seek information and support from faculty, staff, and family. Establish challenging academic goals in high school</li> <li>Develop and implement annual plan of study to maximize academic ability and achievement.</li> <li>Apply time and task management skills</li> <li>Identify attitudes and behaviors which lead to</li> </ul>
	successful learning.  Career and Education Development – C
Related Maine	Learning to Make Decision, Plan and Create Opportunities,
Learning Results	and Make Meaningful Contributions  1. The Planning process
Nooulis	Decision-Making
	3. Influences on Decision-Making
	Societal Needs and Changes that Influence     Washington Occasions
	Workplace Success  "Planning for 0 <sup>th</sup> Crade Linderstanding High School
	"Planning for 9 <sup>th</sup> Grade – Understanding High School

Sample Lessons And	requirements, curriculum and course selection"
Activities	High School counselors meet with all 8 <sup>th</sup> grade students in
	their science classes. Information presented includes the
	following:
	- How is high school different from junior high school?
	<ul> <li>Explanation of graduation requirements</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Distribution/Overview of Course of Study Book</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Summary of 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Course options</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Explanation of sign-up procedures (teacher/parent</li> </ul>
	signatures)
	- Explanation of Block Schedule
	Student feedback, Counselor follow-up with individual
Sample Classroom	students, review of registration form.
Assessment Methods	
	Course of study booklet, registration forms, white board,
Sample	markers,
Resources	