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<th>Big Ideas for Unit: Careers</th>
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**Course Objectives for Unit:**
- Identify possible career paths
- Prepare a professional resume and cover letter
- Prepare for a job interview

**Essential Questions**

*How does one identify a career path?*

*What role does a resume, cover letter and interview play in securing a job?*

**Enduring Understandings**

*What will students understand about the big ideas?*

Students will understand that...

Identifying skills, interests, and personal qualities will help in choosing a career.

A job is something that is done to earn money, and a career is a series of connected employment opportunities that together make up one’s professional life.

Carefully crafted resumes and cover letters are critical first impressions to a prospective employers.

Communication and presentation of oneself in a job interview can create job opportunities

**Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators)**
Students will:
- NJSLS 9.1.12.A.3 Analyze the relationship between various careers and personal earning goals.
- NJSLS 9.1.12.A.4 Identify a career goal and develop a plan and timetable for achieving it,

**Examples, Outcomes, Assessments** *(see note below about the content of this section)*

**Instructional Focus:**
1. Exploring career options
2. Writing Resumes and Cover Letters
3. Identifying and securing references
4. Interviewing for a job
including educational/training requirements, costs, and possible debt.
NJSLS 9.1.12.A.5 Analyze how the economic, social, and political conditions of a time period can affect the labor market.
NJSLS 9.1.12.A.6 Summarize the financial risks and benefits of entrepreneurship as a career choice.

5. Completing a job application

Sample Assessments:
- Chapter Tests and Quizzes
- Projects (Writing Resumes & Cover Letters)
- Mock Job Interviews

Instructional Strategies:

1. Interdisciplinary Connections:
   - Economics, Current Events
2. Technology Integration
   - Researching careers online
3. Global Perspectives
   - The personal benefits of a career

NOTE re: Examples, Outcomes and Assessments

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21st Century Themes (as applies to content area):
- Financial, Economic, Business, and Entrepreneurial Literacy
- Civic Literacy
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<td><em>What services can a bank provide?</em></td>
<td>A bank is an institution chartered by the state or federal government that accepts deposits and provides credit and other financial services.</td>
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<td><em>What is the difference between a debit and credit?</em></td>
<td>A credit is money going out of your account, and a debit is money going into your account.</td>
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**Course Objectives for Unit:**
- Identify the differences between saving and investing
- Prepare a savings plan
- Calculate simple and compound interest and the future value of their savings

**Essential Questions**
- *Why should someone save money?*
- *What is the difference between saving and investing?*
- *What is interest and an interest rate?*
- *How can interest be good or bad for a person’s finances?*

**Enduring Understandings**
*What will students understand about the big ideas?*

- Saving is money not spent on consumption. Investing is the purchasing of assets for future income.
- Savings are used for emergencies, future purchases, and investing.
- Interest is the cost of using someone else’s money. Interest is earned when investing, and it is paid when borrowing.
- The Rule of 72: 72 divided by the interest rate equals the approximate number of years for your money to double.

**Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators)**
*Students will:*

- NJSL 9.1.12.D.1 Calculate short- and long-term returns on various investments
- NJSL 9.1.12.D.5 Justify the use of savings

**Examples, Outcomes, Assessments**
*(see note below about the content of this section)*

**Instructional Focus:**
1. Explore reasons to save or invest.
2. Calculate simple interest, compound interest, interest rates, the present value of money, and the future value of money using calculators and spreadsheet software.

**Sample Assessments:**
- Chapter Tests and Quizzes
and investment options to meet targeted goals. NJSLS 9.1.12.D.7 Explain the risk, return, and liquidity of various savings and investment alternatives. NJSLS 9.1.12.D.9 Relate savings and investment results to achievement of financial goals.

• Interest Calculation Activities

Instructional Strategies:

1. Interdisciplinary Connections:
   • Economics, Current Events

2. Technology Integration
   • Interest calculations using calculators and spreadsheet software

3. Global Perspectives
   • The personal benefits of saving and investing

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**Unit Name:** Chapter 4  
**Big Ideas for Unit:** Investing

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| ● Understand the risks involved with different investment products  
● Understand a stock and how the stock market works  
● Define key terms in a stock listing | *What will students understand about the big ideas?*  
Students will understand that...  
Low interest rates encourage consumer borrowing/spending, while high interest rates encourage consumer saving/investing.

Stocks are securities that represent ownership in a company.

Bonds represent a loan of money to a government or institution that will be paid back in time with interest.

A mutual fund is a pool of money from multiple investors invested in stocks, bonds, and other assets.

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| *Why is it important to diversify investments?*  
*What are the best investments to make?*  
*When is the right time to buy or sell a stock?* | Students will:  
NJSLS 9.1.12.D.1 Calculate short- and long-term returns on various investments (e.g., stocks, bonds, mutual funds, IRAs, deferred pension plans, and so on).  
NJSLS 9.1.12.D.2 Assess the impact of inflation on economic decisions and lifestyles.  
NJSLS 9.1.12.D.5 Justify the use of savings  

| Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see note below about the content of this section) | Instructional Focus:  
1. Examine investment options.  
2. Explore the buying, selling, and monitoring of stocks  

| Instructional Strategies: | Sample Assessments:  
● Chapter Tests and Quizzes  
● Marketwatch Stock Game |
NJSL 9.1.12.D.8 Explain how government and independent financial services and products are used to achieve personal financial goals.
NJSL 9.1.12.D.12 Compare and contrast the past and present role of government in the financial industry and in the regulation of financial markets.
NJSL 9.1.12.D.13 Determine the impact of various market events on stock market prices and on other savings and investments.
NJSL 9.1.12.D.14 Evaluate how taxes affect the rate of return on savings and investments.
NJSL 9.1.12.D.15 Analyze how savings, retirement plans, and other investment options help to shift current income for purposes of tax reporting and filing.

1. Interdisciplinary Connections:
   - Economics, Current Events

2. Technology Integration
   - Researching current stock information

3. Global Perspectives
   - The personal benefits of investing and retirement planning

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**Course Objectives for Unit:**
- Understand what budgeting is and how to use budgets to save
- Prepare a budget for anticipated income and expenses
- Rework a budget for actual income and expenses
- Calculate discounts from coupons and promotions

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<td><em>What impact do coupons and discounts have on a budget?</em></td>
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- Chapter Tests and Quizzes
- Budget Project
accumulate emergency “rainy day” funds. 
NJSLS 9.1.12.B.4 Analyze how income and spending plans are affected by age, needs, and resources. 
NJSLS 9.1.12.B.5 Analyze how changes in taxes, inflation, and personal circumstances can affect a personal budget. 
NJSLS 9.1.12.B.6 Design and utilize a simulated budget to monitor progress of financial plans. 
NJSLS 9.1.12.B.7 Explain the meaning of income tax, describe how it is calculated, and analyze its impact on one’s personal budget. 
NJSLS 9.1.12.B.8 Describe and calculate interest and fees that are applied to various forms of spending, debt, and saving. 
NJSLS 9.1.12.B.9 Research the types and characteristics of various financial organizations in the community (e.g., banks, credit unions, check-cashing stores, et. al.). 
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**Unit Name:** Chapter 6  

**Big Ideas for Unit:** Credit

**Course Objectives for Unit:**
- Explain what credit is and what are the advantages and disadvantages of using it
- Explore the different types of credit
- Explain what creditors look for when offering credit
- Explain what a credit report and credit score are used for

**Essential Questions**

*What is credit used for?*

*Why can credit and the accumulation of debt be dangerous?*

**Enduring Understandings**

*What will students understand about the big ideas?*

Students will understand that...

- Credit is the borrowing capacity of an individual or institution.
- Credit can be used to purchase things that one cannot afford in the moment, but increases the monetary and temporal cost of the item.
- Debt is the accumulation of borrowed money that is owed.
- Credit reports and credit scores community to lenders how good a credit risk an individual is.
- Bankruptcy is a legal process to get out of debt.

**Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators)**

Students will:

- NJSL 9.1.12.C.3 Compute and assess the accumulating effect of interest paid over time when using a variety of sources of credit.
- NJSL 9.1.12.C.4 Compare and contrast the advantages and disadvantages of various

**Examples, Outcomes, Assessments**

*See note below about the content of this section*

**Instructional Focus:**

1. Implement strategies for borrowing and using credit wisely.
2. Optimizing one’s credit score and credit report

**Sample Assessments:**
**types of mortgages.**

NJSLS 9.1.12.C.5 Analyze the information contained in a credit report and explain the importance of disputing inaccurate entries.

NJSLS 9.1.12.C.6 Explain how predictive modeling determines “credit scores.”

NJSLS 9.1.12.C.7 Analyze the rights and responsibilities of buyers and sellers under consumer protection laws.

NJSLS 9.1.12.C.8 Identify the types and characteristics of predatory lending practices (e.g., payday loans, car title loans, high-risk mortgages).

NJSLS 9.1.12.C.9 Evaluate the implications of personal and corporate bankruptcy for self and others.

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**Course Objectives for Unit:**
- Explain the advantages and disadvantages of using a credit card.
- Use the three methods to calculate interest charges for a credit card.
- Calculate the cost of credit if something is purchased with a credit card and only minimum payments are made.
- Analyze and understand a credit card statement

**Course Objectives for Unit:**
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**Essential Questions**

Should credit cards be used to make purchases?

How much more can a purchase cost you if a credit card is used and the balance is not paid in full at the end of the billing cycle?

**Enduring Understandings**

What will students understand about the big ideas?

Students will understand that...

- Credit cards can be used to improve/establish credit history, track spending, or obtain rewards.
- Credit cards can provide a false sense of security/spending power, tempt the cardholder to overuse or accumulate debt, or increase the cost of purchases if interest is accrued.
- If credit card balances are not paid in full for each billing date, interest accrues on that unpaid money, often at a relatively high interest rate.

**Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators)**

Students will:

- NJSL 9.1.12.B.8 Describe and calculate interest and fees that are applied to various forms of spending, debt, and saving.
- NJSL 9.1.12.C.3 Compute and assess the accumulating effect of interest paid over time when using a variety of sources of credit.

**Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see note below about the content of this section)**

Instructional Focus:

1. Deciding whether a credit card is the right decision, and if so, which card is best for each individual
2. Calculating interest charges for credit card purchases
**NJSLS9.1.12.E.9** Determine when credit counseling is necessary and evaluate the resources available to assist consumers who wish to use it.

### Sample Assessments:
- Chapter Tests and Quizzes
- Choosing a Credit Card Project
- “Gimme Some Credit” Case Study
- Letter to a Friend Re: Credit Card Advice

### Instructional Strategies:
1. **Interdisciplinary Connections:**
   - Economics, Current Events
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**Course Objectives for Unit:**
- Explain the costs of owning and operating a motor vehicle
- Differentiate between the advantages of new and used cars
- Determine the appropriate car loan amount given a specific financial situation, and calculate the total cost of a car loan and the monthly payments
- Compare and contrast the advantages of leasing and owning a car
- Calculate car depreciation
- Describe different types of car insurance coverage and explain the factors for determining rates

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<td><em>Should a loan be used to purchase a car? If so, how much and from whom should I borrow?</em></td>
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<td><em>What type(s) of coverage are best to insure a car?</em></td>
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**Enduring Understandings**

*What will students understand about the big ideas?*

Students will understand that...

- Fixed car costs include loan/lease payment and the insurance premium. Variable car costs can include gasoline, maintenance costs (oil changes, tires, repairs, etc.), parking, and tolls.

  New cars offer better quality, increased status, and may include a warranty, but they cost more. Used cars cost less, but could be in poorer condition. Leased cars are cheaper and provide the driver with a new car every few years, but the mileage is limited, the driver has no equity/ownership of the car, and the lessee is still responsible for repairs and maintenance.

  The older a car is and the more miles it has been driven decrease the value of the car (depreciation).

  The main types of car insurance coverage includes liability, collision, and comprehensive.
A car purchase can be partially or entirely financed, but cost more to own due to the interest paid.

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<td>4. Calculating the depreciation and value of a car over time.</td>
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<td>NJSLS 9.1.12.G.3 Compare the cost of various types of insurance (e.g., life, homeowners, motor vehicle) for the same product or service, given different liability limits and risk factors.</td>
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Instructional Strategies:

1. Interdisciplinary Connections:
   - Economics, Current Events
2. Technology Integration
   - Researching current stock information
3. Global Perspectives
   - The personal benefit and cost of owning/driving a car.

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<th><strong>Big Ideas for Unit:</strong> Buying a Home</th>
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**Course Objectives for Unit:**
- Explain the advantages of renting or owning a home
- Explore the different types of mortgages, calculate mortgage payments, and prepare an amortization table
- Calculate the different closing costs and procedures associated with buying and selling a home

**Essential Questions**

- *Is it better to rent or buy a home? Why?*
- *What type of home is best?*
- *How do I know how much I can spend and/or borrow on a home?*

**Enduring Understandings**

- *What will students understand about the big ideas?*

  - The advantages of owning a home include equity, ability to change the home, and tax breaks. The advantages of renting include no taxes or loans, easy to move, and usually less expensive.
  - Mortgage acceptance is based on credit history. Mortgage amount is based on income, amount of down payments, and current mortgage rates.
  - Types of mortgages include 15/20/30-year conventional loan, FHA-insured loan, adjustable rate loan, and others.
  - Closing costs include a title search, title insurance, attorney fees, appraisal fee, inspection, property taxes, homeowners insurance, and other fees.

**Areas of Focus: Proficiencies (Cumulative Progress Indicators)**

- Students will:
  - NJSL 9.1.12.G.1 Analyze risks and benefits in various financial situations.
  - NJSL 9.1.12.G.2 Differentiate between

**Examples, Outcomes, Assessments (see note below about the content of this section)**

1. Comparing and contrasting different types of homes (e.g. single-family, multi-family, condo, co-op, new
property and liability insurance protection.
NJSLS 9.1.12.G.3 Compare the cost of various
types of insurance (e.g., life, homeowners,
motor vehicle) for the same product or
service, given different liability limits and risk
factors.
NJSLS 9.1.12.G.4 Evaluate individual and
family needs for insurance protection using
opportunity-cost analysis.
NJSLS 9.1.12.G.5 Differentiate the costs and
benefits of renter’s and homeowner’s
insurance.
NJSLS 9.1.12.G.6 Explain how to self-insure
and how to determine when self-insurance is
appropriate.
NJSLS 9.1.12.G.7 Determine when and why it
may be appropriate for the government to
provide insurance coverage, rather than
private industry.
NJSLS 9.1.12.C.4 Compare and contrast the
advantages and disadvantages of various
types of mortgages.
NJSLS 9.1.12.C.5 Analyze the information
contained in a credit report and explain the
importance of disputing inaccurate entries.
NJSLS 9.1.12.C.6 Explain how predictive
modeling determines “credit scores.”
NJSLS 9.1.12.C.7 Analyze the rights and
responsibilities of buyers and sellers under
consumer protection laws.
NJSLS 9.1.12.C.8 Identify the types and
characteristics of predatory lending practices
(e.g., payday loans, car title loans, high-risk
mortgages).

2. Comparing the advantages and
disadvantages of owning versus
renting a home
3. Investigating and prioritizing personal
needs in connection with buying a
home
4. Calculating mortgage payments and
amortization tables

Sample Assessments:
- Chapter Tests and Quizzes
- Buying a Home Project

Instructional Strategies:
1. Interdisciplinary Connections:
   - Economics, Current Events
2. Technology Integration
   - Researching current stock
     information
3. Global Perspectives
   - The personal benefit and cost
     of purchasing and owning a
     home

NOTE re: Examples, Outcomes and Assessments

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**Big Ideas for Unit:** Earning Statements

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<td>Why might two employees who have the same job at the same employer have different gross and/or net pay?</td>
<td>An earning statement, or “paystub”, is a breakdown of all income and deductions.</td>
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<td>Gross pay is the income before deductions, and net pay (or take home pay) is the income after deductions.</td>
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<td>Salary is a set amount of money earned per year, and a wage is a set amount of money earned per time period (usually per hour).</td>
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costs, and possible debt. 
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2. **Technology Integration**  
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3. **Global Perspectives**  
   - The personal benefit calculating and checking one’s paycheck.

**NJSLS 9.1.12.A.5** Analyze how the economic, social, and political conditions of a time period can affect the labor market. 
**NJSLS 9.1.12.A.6** Summarize the financial risks and benefits of entrepreneurship as a career choice. 
**NJSLS 9.1.12.A.7** Analyze and critique various sources of income and available resources (e.g., financial assets, property, and transfer payments) and how they may substitute for earned income.  
**NJSLS 9.1.12.A.8** Analyze different forms of currency and how currency is used to exchange goods and services. 
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**NJSLS 9.1.12.A.10** Demonstrate how exemptions and deductions can reduce taxable income. 
**NJSLS 9.1.12.A.11** Explain the relationship between government programs and services and taxation. 
**NJSLS 9.1.12.A.12** Explain how compulsory government programs (e.g., Social Security, Medicare) provide insurance against some loss of income and benefits to eligible recipients. 
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