

# Delta Alpha Boulé, Northern IL Boule Scholars Club

Middle School Program Overview Modules 1 – 4

#### Module One: Life Skills

## The "Toolbox"

The Toolbox is a metaphor for a set of methods or techniques to help mentees achieve objectives, adapt to certain situations, or overcome obstacles.

## Social Skills

- 3Rs Respect for self, Respect for others, Respect for your environment
- Why physical appearance matters
- How to meet and greet people
- The power of confidence.

## **Values Clarification**

- Relationship between values, attitude, and behavior
  - o Experiential Learning exercise (what's important to you)
  - o The importance of being around positive, successful people
- Prioritization
  - o Experiential Learning exercise (Blue Chip Game)
  - o Mentees list routine task and prioritize them
- Resource assessment & management
  - o Most abundant resource
  - Utilization of resources
  - o Time management

# Goal Setting – AIM SMART

- AIM
  - o The goal setting process
  - o Setting realistic, achievable goals
  - o Measuring progress towards goals attainment
- SMART The action steps in the achievement of your plan
  - o The framework for achievement of goals.
  - o Maintaining focus on your goals
  - o Being adaptable and adjusting your plan
- GAP analysis Bridging the gap between where you are and where you want to be
  - o Power of habits establishing good habits
- STAR strategy of accepting challenge and overcoming obstacles (Stop, Think, Anticipate, Respond)

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#### **Module Two: Academic Achievement**

## The common denominators of success

- In the Classroom
  - o Actively engage in the learning process class participation.
  - o Know your class material.
    - Stay current with class material.
    - Do extra homework or work a little ahead of the current lessons.
- Control your study environment.
  - o Embrace the "3Cs"
    - You are Capable,
    - You have choice: decision- making,
    - You have control: Practice personal discipline.
  - o Utilize the SQ3R study technique.
- Principles of time management.
  - o Utilize all available study tools and guides.
    - Daily Planner/calendar, electronic or written.
    - Class syllabus, project completion schedule.
    - Plan your work: work your plan.

# **Module Three: Leadership**

## Discover your own leadership style.

- Always do "the right thing."
  - o Exemplify good character- the 3Rs: Respectful, Responsible, Ready to Learn
  - o Lead by example
- School model good behavior and citizenship
- Community model good behavior and citizenship
- Be the best person you can be. Develop your brand.

## **Module Four: Service**

## Help make your community what you want it to be.

- Build relationships within the community (Love thy neighbor as thyself).
- Engage in civic activity and give back to the community as a volunteer.
- Appreciate multi-culturalism and diversity.