

HYBRID COURSE FUNDAMENTALS

You are taking this course in a hybrid format which means that you will only be attending class for half of the course hours. However, that does not mean that you do not need to be doing work outside of class! There are assignments for each week. Due dates are weekly. A typical technical college class is set up to run for three hours per week, plus outside reading and assignments / assessments. This course follows that same format; so when you don't have an "in-class" or face-to-face class time, you still have at least three hours of work, plus reading and assessments to do. Just as in any typical class, this time will vary from person to person, but plan on actually spending more time reading in the on-line format than in a typical classroom format.

The following assignment sheet outlines the basics of your work for each week. If you follow the learning plans on-line, you will get a full picture of the reading and work that is due for each class period. All on-line assignments are due before class starts on the due date designated. For example, reading assignments are due before you come to class. If you get into the habit of finishing your learning plan by Friday, you will have the weekend to do your reading for the next learning plan. Then you will be ready to move into your new learning plan fresh on Monday. I will know if you are doing your reading by accessing the on-line quizzes that will be due for each chapter.

The on-line format is a thrilling and sometimes challenging environment. We will work together in the first class session to make sure that everyone is comfortable and knows what is going on. Asking questions and communicating with me and your fellow classmates will help you to be successful. I will emphasize again – it is very important that you do any reading pertaining to the classroom discussion prior to coming to that class! Our class time together is limited. I have special projects and demonstrations set up to further explain the readings and your assessments. If I have to take time to explain your reading, you will miss out on vital information that is not found in your reading or on-line resources.

I am looking forward to a great class! I am excited to meet each of you. We are going to learn so much about young children – and it's my goal to have fun while learning! See you soon!!