

COURSE: HOME FURNISHINGS

### OVERVIEW OF COURSE

#### **Goal**

The goal of this course is to expand the students' experiences in housing and design through detailed exploration of the home furnishings industry.

#### **Description**

Home Furnishings is designed to teach students how to work with woods and textiles in the home. Each module will provide students with an opportunity to develop an understanding of the techniques necessary to create a project in that category. It is a "how to" course which includes an extensive hands-on project as part of the requirements. Skills developed will be related to careers.

#### **Skills, Knowledge, and Behaviors to be Developed**

The ability to:

1. Identify related careers.
2. Identify the wood types used in furniture.
3. Make simple repairs on wood furniture.
4. Understand furniture refinishing techniques and corresponding safety considerations.
5. Explain decorative and functional roles of textiles in home furnishings.
6. Demonstrate a specific skill by the completion of a project which reflects this curriculum.

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CONTENT OUTLINE

- I. Careers in Home Furnishings
  - A. Wood and Upholstery Furnishings
  - B. Soft Home Furnishings
- II. Wood Furniture
  - A. Woods
    - 1. Identification
    - 2. Characteristics
    - 3. Composition woods
    - 4. Uses
    - 5. Care and repair
  - B. Refinishing Techniques
    - 1. Stripping
    - 2. Stain removal
    - 3. Unfinished surfaces
    - 4. New finishes
- III. Textiles in Home Furnishings
  - A. Soft Home Furnishings
    - 1. Pillows
    - 2. Linens
    - 3. Decorative items
  - B. Upholstered Furniture
    - 1. Construction
    - 2. Reupholstery
    - 3. Slipcovers
    - 4. Selection and care
  - C. Window Treatments
    - 1. Shades
    - 2. Curtains
    - 3. Draperies
    - 4. Selection and care
- IV. Construction Project
  - A. Project Using Textiles in Home Furnishings
  - B. Project Using Woods in Home Furnishings