Retail Marketing

**Course Description:** This course is designed to provide an overview of the marketing responsibilities of individuals employed in the retail industry. This course is based on the business and marketing core that includes communication skills, operations, distribution, marketing-information management, pricing, product/service management, promotion and selling. The Kentucky Occupational Retail Services Skill Standards are integrated into this course giving students the opportunity to receive Retail Skill Standards Certification. Leadership development will be provided through DECA activities and competitive events.

| Content/Process |
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| Students will: |
| 1. use computers/electronic equipment whenever possible, utilize business software, appropriate internet links and other kinds of technology to collect, organize, and communicate information and ideas. |
| 2. identify types of retailers (e.g., brick-and-mortar, e-commerce, etc.). |
| 3. investigate successful retailers of the past and present. |
| 4. identify and determine business risk factors. |
| 5. formulate awareness and understanding of emerging trends and globalization in retailing. |
| 6. explain when and how to buy merchandise for a retail store. |
| 7. identify aspects of product and service planning like packaging, warranties and selecting the right product mix. |
| 8. explain the factors affecting pricing decisions including legal considerations and competition. |
| 9. conduct a physical inventory of a school based enterprise, marketing department, or local retail store. |
| 10. develop spreadsheets and utilize other computer software for the purpose of controlling and tracking inventory. |
| 11. apply economic concepts like supply and demand, competition, scarcity and opportunity costs. |
| 12. compare products and services based on price, quality, features, and warranties to understand consumer decision making. |
| 13. develop customer-service skills and practice in role play situations. |
| 14. demonstrate the selling process (open the sale, question, handle objections, present features and benefits, suggestive selling, close, and follow-up). |
| 15. develop spreadsheets and utilize other computer software for the purpose of measuring sales and making decisions from information gathered. |
| 16. develop a research tool as a part of a marketing research project. |
| 17. develop a promotion plan after examining each part of the promotional mix. |
| 18. identify risk management techniques related to employees, safety, security and loss prevention. |
| 19. research career choices in retailing and match with personal goals. |
| 20. create a career portfolio including a resume, letters of reference, certifications of training and samples of work. |
| 21. identify individual work habits/ethics (individual/team skills, confidentiality, problem solving, punctuality) and explain their importance in the workplace. |
| 22. demonstrate skills needed for effective personal financial planning (including budgeting, investing, consumerism and credit management). |
| 23. apply math and communication skills within the technical content. |
| 24. utilize activities of DECA as an integral component of course content and leadership development. |

**Connections**

- Kentucky Occupational Skill Standards Assessment (KOSSA) – Retail or Marketing
- National Retail Skill Standards
- Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills (SCANS)
- Common Core State Standards – ELA & Mathematics
- Industry Certification – A*S*K (Marketing)
- MBAResearch Knowledge and Skills Standards
- National Business Education Standards
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Cultures and Societies - Social Studies
Culture is the way of life shared by a group of people, including their ideas and traditions. Cultures reflect the values and beliefs of groups in different ways (e.g., art, music, literature, religion); however, there are universals (e.g., food, clothing, shelter, communication) connecting all cultures. Culture influences viewpoints, rules and institutions in a global society. Students should understand that people form cultural groups throughout the United States and the World, and that issues and challenges unite and divide them.

English/Language Arts Common Core Standards

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CC.9-10.SL.5 Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas: Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.

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CC.9-10.W.7 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

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CC.9-10.W.9 Research to Build and Present Knowledge: Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

CC.9-10.W.10 Range of Writing: Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of tasks, purposes, and audiences.

CC.11-12.L.1 Conventions of Standard English: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.


CC.11-12.L.3 Knowledge of Language: Apply knowledge of language to understand how language functions in different contexts, to make effective choices for meaning or style, and to comprehend more fully when reading or listening.

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Technical Literacy Standards

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### 21st Century Skills and Knowledge

- Communication
- ICT (Information, Communications, and Technology) Literacy
- Global Awareness
- Information Literacy

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### Learning Targets

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National Standards for Business Education: I. Allocation of Resources: Achievement Standard: Assess opportunity costs and trade-offs involved in making choices about how to use scarce economic resources.

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MBA - Knowledge and Skill Statement: Understands concepts and strategies utilized in determining and adjusting prices to maximize return and meet customers' perceptions of value.

KY Core Academic Standards (Big Idea)

Economics - Social Studies
Economics includes the study of production, distribution and consumption of goods and services. Students need to understand how their economic decisions affect them, others, the nation and the world. The purpose of economic education is to enable individuals to function effectively both in their own personal lives and as citizens and participants in an increasingly connected world economy. Students need to understand the benefits and costs of economic interaction and interdependence among people, societies, and governments.

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Research, Inquiry/Problem-Solving and Innovation - Technology
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Mathematics Common Core Standards
CC.9-12.A.SSE.1 Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context.*
CC.9-12.S.IC.6 Evaluate reports based on data.*

21st Century Skills and Knowledge
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Collaboration
Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy
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2002.OA.10 Explain the concept of competition
2002.OA.12 Research the competition (products, prices, services)
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2002.OG.1 Organize and maintain stock and supplies
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| A. Demonstrate an understanding of the retail buying process (e.g., vendor selection cost, merchandise life cycle, etc). | A1. Invite two or more vendors with similar merchandise to bring samples appropriate for the school store. Prior to the visit, students will develop questions to ask the vendor (terms, delivery date, set-up fees, etc.)  
A2. See "New Store Vendor Selection Project" document  
A3. See "Vendor Selection Activity" document  
A4. See "Merchandising Plan" document |
| B. Identify factors affecting price including legislation, economic factors, expenses, and competition. |                                                                                           |
| C. Describe the importance of customer service as it relates to a retailer.     |                                                                                           |
| D. Identify and explain factors affecting consumer decision-making.              | D1. Students create a chart listing the major consumer-protection laws pertaining to the retail industry. For each law, students will explain, in bullet form, the main intent of law and provide an example of how each is beneficial to consumers. |
| E. Explain the consumers' decision-making process when purchasing a product or service. |                                                                                           |
| F. Explain the nature of inventory control systems and conduct a physical inventory. | F1. See "Cafe Tour" document                                                                 |
| G. Create a spreadsheet or other software document to track inventory.           | G1. See "Interview Boss" document                                                          |
| H. Identify and explain the nature and function of product/service planning (warranties, packaging, product mix). |                                                                                           |
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Technical Literacy Standards

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CCSS.ELA-Literacy.WHST.9-10.9 Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

**Mathematics Common Core Standards**
CC.9-12.A.SSE.1 Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context.*
CC.9-12.S.IC.3 Recognize the purposes of and differences among sample surveys, experiments, and observational studies; explain how randomization relates to each.*
CC.9-12.S.IC.6 Evaluate reports based on data.*

**21st Century Skills and Knowledge**
Collaboration
Communication
Creativity and Innovation
Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
Flexibility and Adaptability
Initiative and Self-Direction
Productivity and Accountability

**KOSSA Standards**
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2002.AA.2 Participate in conversation, discussion, and group presentations
2002.AB.1 Locate and interpret written information
2002.AB.2 Read and interpret workplace documents
2002.AB.3 Identify relevant details, facts, and specifications
2002.AB.5 Demonstrate competence in organizing, writing, and editing using correct vocabulary, spelling, grammar, punctuation
2002.AB.6 Demonstrate the ability to write clearly and concisely using industry specific terminology
2002.AC.1 Utilize critical-thinking skills to determine best options/outcomes (e.g., analyze reliable/unreliable sources of information, use previous experiences, implement crisis management, develop contingency planning)
2002.AG.1 Use technology appropriately to enhance professional presentations
2002.EG.3 Value varying ideas and opinions
2002.AG.3 Identify ways social media can be used as marketing, advertising, and data gathering tools
2002.OB.1 Honor manufacturers’ warranties/guarantees
2002.OB.2 Adhere to company return policy
2002.OA.3 Describe the concepts of economics and economic activities
2002.OB.5 Explain the purpose of special orders
2002.OC.1 Identify the impact of advertising and promotions on sales
2002.OC.2 Handle customer returns; transform into new sales
2002.OC.3 Initiate/create special promotions
2002.OC.4 Convert phone calls into sales
2002.OC.5 Encourage customer to open credit accounts and purchase gift certificates
2002.OC.6 Acquire and apply product knowledge
2002.OC.7 Handle customer objections (e.g., boomerang, superior point, demonstration)
2002.OD.1 Handle transactions and related paperwork
2002.OD.2 Inform customer of return/exchange policy
2002.OD.3 Open, maintain, and close cash register
2002.OD.4 Package merchandise properly
2002.OD.5 Assume that shipping/mailings/deliveries are handled properly
2002.OD.6 Organize and display merchandise effectively
2002.OD.7 Maintain displays following company display guidelines
2002.OG.5 Organize and display merchandise effectively
2002.OG.6 Maintain displays following company display guidelines
2002.OG.7 Apply proper techniques when dismantling displays
2002.OH.1 Alert customer to your presence/availability
2002.OH.2 Attach and remove security devices
2002.OH.3 Account for items after customer use of dressing rooms
2002.OH.4 Report stock shirngages
2002.OH.5 Report security violations (e.g., shoplifting, pilferage, fraud)
2002.OH.6 Alert sales associates to suspicious customers

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<td>B. Identify policies and procedures for risk management (e.g. safety, security, employees, and loss prevention).</td>
<td>C1. See Excel Activity - &quot;Payroll&quot; document</td>
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<td>C. Demonstrate computer applications in retail marketing.</td>
<td>C2. See Excel Activity - &quot;Quarterly Revenue&quot; document</td>
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<td>D. Develop a marketing research project utilizing a research tool.</td>
<td>D1. Have students create, distribute, and tabulate a survey for the student body and staff to determine the merchandise assortment for a school store.</td>
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<td>D2. After interpreting above survey results, students will create a merchandise plan for the upcoming school year, or for a special event (Merchandise Plan Project)</td>
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<td>D3. See &quot;Market Research Assignment&quot; document</td>
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<td>E. Determine strategies to create a promotional plan using elements of the promotional mix (4 Ps).</td>
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**Technical Content**

1. Use computers/electronic equipment whenever possible, utilize business software, appropriate internet links and other kinds of technology to collect, organize, and communicate information and ideas.

19. Research career choices in retailing and match with personal goals.

20. Create a career portfolio including a resume, letters of reference, certifications of training and samples of work.

21. Identify individual work habits/ethics (individual/team skills, confidentiality, problem solving, punctuality) and explain their importance in the workplace.

22. Demonstrate skills needed for effective personal financial planning (including budgeting, investing, consumerism and credit management).

23. Apply math and communication skills within the technical content.

24. Utilize activities of DECA as an integral component of course content and leadership development.

**National Standards**

National Standards for Business Education:

1. Self-Awareness: Achievement Standard: Assess personal skills, abilities, and aptitudes and personal strengths and weaknesses as they relate to career exploration and development.

National Standards for Business Education:

2. Career Research: Achievement Standard: Utilize career resources to develop a career information database that includes international career opportunities.

National Standards for Business Education:

3. Workplace Expectations: Achievement Standard: Relate the importance of workplace expectations to career development.

National Standards for Business Education:

4. Career Strategy: Achievement Standard: Apply knowledge gained from individual assessment to a comprehensive set of goals and an individual career plan.

National Standards for Business Education:


**KY Core Academic Standards (Big Idea)**

**Financial Literacy - Vocational Studies**

Financial literacy provides knowledge so that students are responsible for their personal economic well-being. As consumers, individuals need economic knowledge as a base for making financial decisions impacting short and long term goals throughout one’s lifetime. Financial literacy will empower students by providing them with the knowledge, skills and awareness needed to establish a foundation for a future of financial responsibility and economic independence.

**Career Awareness, Exploration, Planning - Vocational Studies**

Career awareness, exploration and planning gives students the opportunity to discover the various career areas that exist and introduce them to the realities involved with the workplace. Many factors need to be considered when selecting a career path and preparing for employment. Career awareness, exploration and planning will enable students to recognize the value of education, learn how to plan for careers and integrate academic subjects.

**Employability Skills - Vocational Studies**

Employability skills will focus on student’s competencies with their work habits and academic/technical skills that will impact an individual’s success in school and workplace. School-to-work transition skills will help students develop interpersonal skills and positive work habits.

**Communication/Technology - Vocational Studies**

Special communication and technology skills are needed for success in school and in the workplace. Students will be able to express information and ideas using a variety of technologies in various ways.

**Information, Communication and Productivity - Technology**

Students demonstrate a sound understanding of the nature and operations of technology systems. Students use technology to learn, to communicate, increase productivity and become competent users of technology. Students manage and create effective oral, written and multimedia communication in a variety of forms and contexts.
**English/Language Arts Common Core Standards**

CC.9-10.L.1 Conventions of Standard English: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

CC.9-10.L.1.b Conventions of Standard English: Use various types of phrases (noun, verb, adjectival, adverbial, participial, prepositional, absolute) and clauses (independent, dependent; noun, relative, adverbial) to convey specific meanings and add variety and interest to writing or presentations.

CC.9-10.L.2 Conventions of Standard English: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.

CC.9-10.SL.2 Comprehension and Collaboration: Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source.

CC.9-10.W.4 Production and Distribution of Writing: Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience. (Grade-specific expectations for writing types are defined in standards 1–3 above.)

CC.9-10.W.5 Production and Distribution of Writing: Develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing on addressing what is most significant for a specific purpose and audience. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1–3 on up to and including grades 9-10 page 55.)

CC.9-10.W.6 Production and Distribution of Writing: Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology’s capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

CC.11-12.L.1 Conventions of Standard English: Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.


CC.6.SL.6 Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas: Adapt speech to a variety of contexts and tasks, demonstrating command of formal English when indicated or appropriate. (See grade 6 Language standards 1 and 3 on page 53 for specific expectations.)

**Technical Literacy Standards**

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RST.11-12.10 By the end of grade 12, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the grades 11–12 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.WHST.9-10.2d Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic and convey a style appropriate to the discipline and context as well as to the expertise of likely readers.

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**21st Century Skills and Knowledge**

Communication

Information Literacy

Life and Career Skills

Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy

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2002.AG.1 Use technology appropriately to enhance professional presentations

2002.EA.1 Demonstrate enthusiasm and confidence about work and learning new tasks

2002.EK.1 Recognize the importance of maintaining a job and pursuing a career

2002.EK.2 Define jobs associated with a specific career path or profession

2002.EK.3 Identify and seek various job opportunities (e.g., volunteerism, internships, co-op, part-time/full-time employment)

2002.EK.4 Prepare a resume, letter of application, and job application

2002.EK.5 Prepare for a job interview (e.g., research company, highlight personal strengths, prepare questions, set-up a mock interview, dress appropriately)
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<td>B. Compare career matches with identified personal goals for suitability (compatibility).</td>
<td>B1. Use ILP activity &quot;Comparing Careers&quot;.</td>
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<td>D. Identify specific job-related career/job information (e.g., earnings, education, work environment, etc.)</td>
<td>D1. Consult <a href="http://www.bls.gov">www.bls.gov</a>.</td>
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<td>E. Create career planning documents (i.e., job application, letter of application, resume, follow-up letter).</td>
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<td>F. Explain and demonstrate soft skills in the workplace (e.g., conflict resolution, problem solving, teamwork, etc.)</td>
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<td>F2. Role play a personal and a professional conflict to seek appropriate resolution.</td>
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<td>G3. Use ConsumerJungle website</td>
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