Unit 1 Title: Transitioning To Middle School Grade Level: 5

**Number of Lessons in Unit: 2** 

**Time Required for each lesson:** Approximately 45 minutes for each lesson

**Best time of year to implement this Unit:** Last quarter of 5<sup>th</sup> grade

## **Lesson Titles**:

Lesson 1: Middle School Here I Come! (Part 1)

Materials/Special Preparations Required:

Combination Locks of some kind (lockers, tool chests, locks etc.)

Directions on how to open a combination lock

Activity Sheet - Expectations and Skills Needed to be Successful in Middle School

#### Lesson 2: Middle School Here I Come! (Part 2)

Materials/Special Preparations Required:

Activity Sheet. - Transition to Middle School

Transition to Middle School Instruction Sheet

Provide written information about middle school or invite the Middle School

Counselor/Teacher to talk with students about expectations.

Activity Sheet - Future Plan of Action

# Missouri Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Domain:

AD.5: Applying the Skills of Transitioning Between Educational Levels

## **Grade Level Standard (GLS):**

AD.5.A.05.a.i: Develop an understanding of educational tasks and skills necessary to make a smooth transition to the middle school structure. (DOK Level - 3)

# American School Counselor Association National Standard (ASCA):

Academic Development

A: Students will acquire the attitudes, knowledge and skills contributing to effective learning in school and across the lifespan

# Show Me Standards: Performance Goals (check one or more that apply and identify relevant process standards)

		Goal 1: Gather, analyze and apply information and ideas		
	X	8. Organize data, information, and ideas into useful forms for analysis or presentation. 10. Apply acquired information, ideas and skills to different contexts as students, workers,		
	Λ	10. Apply acquired information, ideas and skills to different contexts as students, workers,		
l		citizens, and consumers.		
		Goal 2: Communicate effectively within and beyond the classroom		
		Goal 3: Recognize and solve problems		
	X	2. Develop and apply strategies based on ways others have prevented or solved problems.		
		3. Develop and apply strategies based on one's own experience in preventing or solving		

		problems.
Goal 4: Make decisions and act as responsible members of society		Goal 4: Make decisions and act as responsible members of society
	X	3. Analyze the duties and responsibilities of individuals in societies.
		5. Develop, monitor, and revise plans of action to meet deadlines and accomplish goals.

This lesson supports the development of skills in the following academic content areas.

Academic Content Area(s)

Specific Skill(s)

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X	Communication Arts	6. Participating in formal and informal presentations and discussions of issues and ideas.
	Mathematics	
X	Social Studies	<ul><li>6. Relationships of the individual and groups to institutions and cultural traditions.</li><li>7. The use of tools of social science inquiry.</li></ul>
	Science	
	Health/Physical Education	
	Fine Arts	

## **Unit Essential Questions:**

Why do we have certain memories? How are transitions associated with life?

# **Unit Measurable Learning Objectives:**

The student will have one successful opening of a combination lock.

The student will complete an activity sheet to self-assess her/his expectations and skills needed to be successful in middle school.

The student will identify nine goals for middle school by completing one "Plan of Action" activity sheet.

The student will develop a plan of action for one goal to accomplish before transitioning to middle school.

# **Unit Instructional Strategies/Instructional Activities:**

_X_	_Direct (Drill & Practice; Guided & Shared-reading, listening, viewing, thinking)
X	_Indirect (Reflective Discussion; Concept Formation)
	_ Experiential
	Independent Study
X	_Interactive Instruction (Discussion; Cooperative Learning; Problem Solving)

## **Unit Summative Assessment (acceptable evidence):**

Assessment should relate to the performance outcome for goals, objectives and GLSs. Assessment can be question answer, performance activity, etc.

Students will learn to open a combination lock.

Students will identify nine goals for transitioning to middle school and develop a plan of action for one goal.

## **Brief Summary of Unit:**

Students will review the information about transition and determine if they are ready to transition to middle school. Expectations and skills will be identified to help students be

successful in middle school.

What prior knowledge do students need (e.g. the steps to solving a problem) to be successful in this unit?

Knowledge of skills needed to be successful in school.