

# **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

## *INSIGHTS AND UPDATES FROM MR. HAWORTH*

### **The Five P's of Success**

To increase the chances of being successful in school, work, and life one must be:

- **Present.** You miss everything when you are absent. Don't let the world pass you by.
- **Punctual.** Actions speak louder than words. Show you care by being on time.
- **Prepared.** If you want to do your job, you need to bring your tools.
- **Productive.** Time is not renewable. Once it is gone, it's gone. Don't waste time.
- **Polite.** Courtesy is becoming a lost art. Practice politeness and you will impress.



Welcome back to school. It is so exciting to get the year started. One of the primary goals in my life is to help others to achieve all that they can. Being a high school teacher provides me that opportunity.

The success skills shown on the left are the basic tools needed, both in school and in life. These are the skills that are emphasized throughout the curriculum. No matter the subject, these skills will be the focus of our lessons.

Success or failure is ultimately up to the individual. The teachers can act as guides, but remember that in the end, it is the student's actions that determine future opportunities.



*'Tis a lesson you should heed. Try, try again.  
If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.*

*-Thomas H. Palmer*

## FUTURE FOCUS

*WHERE WILL THE JOBS BE?  
Look to business, computers and  
healthcare for career opportunities.*



Occupations predicted by U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics to have the most job openings between 2008 and 2018:

### Occupations with the Most Job Openings: **Graduate Degree**

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Openings</u>
Postsecondary teachers	553,000
Doctors and surgeons	261,000
Lawyers	240,000
Clergy	218,000
Pharmacists	106,000
Educational, vocational, and school counselors	94,000
Physical therapists	79,000
Medical scientists, except epidemiologists	66,000
Mental health and substance abuse social workers	61,000
Instructional coordinators	61,000

### Occupations with the Most Job Openings: **Bachelor's Degree**

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Openings</u>
<i>*Elementary school teachers, except special education*</i>	597,000
<b>Accountants and auditors</b>	498,000
<i>*Secondary school teachers, except special and vocational *</i>	412,000
<i>*Middle school teachers, except special and vocational*</i>	251,000
<b>Computer systems analysts</b>	223,000
<b>Computer software engineers, applications</b>	218,000
<b>Network systems and data communications analysts</b>	208,000
<b>Computer software engineers, systems software</b>	153,000
<b>Construction managers</b>	138,000
<b>Market research analysts</b>	137,000

### Occupations with the Most Jobs Openings: **Associate's Degree**

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Openings</u>
Registered nurses	1,039,000
Nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants	422,000
Licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses	391,000
<b>Computer support specialists</b>	235,000
Hairdressers, hairstylists, and cosmetologists	220,000
Automotive service technicians and mechanics	182,000
<i>*Preschool teachers, except special education*</i>	178,000
<b>Insurance sales agents</b>	153,000
<i>*Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration technicians*</i>	136,000
<i>*Real estate sales agents*</i>	128,000

\* Note: The housing crash has hurt the real estate agent and HVAC occupational growth outlook as well as educational funding and the ability to hire more teachers\*

*Chance favors the prepared mind.*

*- Louis Pasteur*

## 21<sup>st</sup> CENTURY SKILLS

### What Will It Take to Compete

Why are 21<sup>st</sup> century skills important? Today's education faces irrelevance unless we bridge the gap between how students live and how students learn. While using 21<sup>st</sup> century tools and focusing on 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills, student can ensure that their educational experiences remain relevant and beneficial to their future.

There are ten core skills that students need to develop to be successful in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. These can be divided into three main groups: Information and Communication Skills, Thinking and Problem Solving Skills, and Interpersonal and Self-directional Skills. No matter what subject a student is studying, developing the following ten skills will greatly increase the chances of success later in life:

1. Communication
2. Information Literacy
3. Problem Solving
4. Creativity and Innovation
5. Critical Thinking
6. Self-Direction
7. Accountability and Adaptability
8. Social Responsibility
9. Collaboration
10. Global Awareness and Business Literacy



*“The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn.”*

*-Alvin Tofler*