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Session One: Entrepreneurs Students learn about the relationship between entrepreneurs, their businesses, and the products and services they offer, then take an entrepreneurial characteristics inventory to assess their own entrepreneurial skills and interests. Objectives: Define entrepreneurship and social entrepreneurship. Identify entrepreneurial characteristics and recognize strengths and areas of potential growth.	Family and Consumer Science (Grade 6) 5:2 Complete a FACS related free enterprise experience. College and Career Awareness (Grade 7) 4:2 Explore the careers, education, and training related to marketing and entrepreneurship and management. Entrepreneurship (Grade 8) 1:1 Students will be introduced to the role of the entrepreneur in the economy. 1:2 Students will understand the characteristics of an entrepreneur.	RI 6.4,7 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 6 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.3-4 RI.7.7 SL. 7.1-2 SL. 7.4 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.3-4 RI. 8.7 SL. 8.1-2 SL. 8.6 L. 8.1-5
Session Two: Market and Need Students are introduced to young entrepreneurs who have successfully met an identified market need, and then created a new product to meet the need. Students work in groups to brainstorm current needs within different product categories. Objectives: Define market and need. Describe the importance of identifying market and need when entrepreneurs develop new product ideas.	College and Career Awareness (Grade 7) 4:2 c Use global examples of how goods, services, and ideas are marketed and distributed. 4:3 b Understand how the Internet works and define Internet vocabulary, including terms such as URL, browser, search engine, etc. 4:3 c Understand proper etiquette and ethics when using the Internet and social media/digital marketing online applications. Entrepreneurship (Grade 8) 3:1 Students will understand the importance of identifying the market.	RI 6.4,7 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 4 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.3-4 RI.7.7 SL. 7.1-2 SL. 7.6 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.3-4 RI. 8.7 SL. 8.1-2 SL. 8.4 L. 8.1-5
Session Three: Innovative Ideas Students learn about innovative idea generation, and examine cutting edge, innovative new products. Working in groups, students brainstorm their own product ideas and use graphic organizers to capture them. Objectives: Participate in creative idea generation, from brainstorming to defending and selecting an idea. Recognize creativity and innovation as necessary entrepreneurial skills for starting a business.	Family and Consumer Science (Grade 6) 5:2 a Select a product or service to sell. Entrepreneurship (Grade 8) 1:3 Students will understand idea generation through innovation and problem solving.	RI 6.4,7 SL. 6.1-2 SL. 4 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.3-4 SL. 7.1-2 SL. 7.64 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.4,7 SL. 8.1-2 SL. 8.4 L. 8.1-5



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Session Four: Market Research Students learn about the importance of obtaining market feedback about a new product idea. Groups practice developing survey questions, test their questions, and discuss ways to revise their questions to obtain more useful feedback about their product ideas. Objectives: Discuss the importance of market research in the product development process. Describe multiple types of survey questions.	Family and Consumer Science (Grade 6) 5:2 b Conduct and analyze a market survey. College and Career Awareness (Grade 7) 4:2 a Understand how price, product, promotion, and place affect the success of a business. Entrepreneurship (Grade 8) 3:2 Students will explore how businesses reach, maintain, and increase the market.	RI 6.1-2 RI 6.4,7 SL 6.2 SL 6.4 L. 6.1-6 RI 7.1-2 RI.7.4,7 SL 7.2 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.1-2 RI 8.4,7 SL 8.2 L. 8.1-5
Session Five: Design and Prototype Students learn about the product design and prototype process. Each student creates a product sketch to showcase their product idea. Objectives: Represent a product idea and its features by using rough sketches and drawings. Recognize sketches as an important first step in the prototype process.	Family and Consumer Science (Grade 6) 5:2 c Design packaging for the product if applicable.	RI 6.4,7 SL 6.1-2 SL 6.4-7 L. 6.1-6 RI.7.4,7 SL 7.1-2 SL 7.4-5 L. 7.1-6 RI 8.4,7 SL 8.1-2 SL 8.4-5 L. 8.1-5
Session Six: Seek Funding Students learn how to plan and deliver a pitch presentation with the intent of attracting potential investors. In a mock competition, groups pitch their product idea to the volunteer and teacher. Guest judge(s) may be invited to award teams with faux start-up funds. Objectives: Discuss the elements that make a strong pitch presentation to potential investors. Work together to create and deliver a product pitch for potential funding.	Family and Consumer Science (Grade 6) 5:2 g Evaluate the effectiveness of the process / business plan. College and Career Awareness (Grade 7) 4:2 d Using career exploration in business, marketing, and related areas, develop a small business that is role-played in the classroom with successful operations. Entrepreneurship (Grade 8) 4:1 Students will examine sources and types of funding. 5:1 Students will discuss short- and long-term goals for an entrepreneurial venture.	RI 6.4,7 SL 6.1-2 SL 6.4-6 L. 6.1-4 RI.7.4,7 W. 7.6-7 SL 7.1-2 SL 76 L. 7.1-4 RI 8.3-4 RI 8.7 W 8.7 SL 8.1-2 SL. 8.4-6

