

Counseling and Mental Health Pacing Guide

	Recommended Weeks
FCCLA INTRODUCTION	2 Weeks
Topic 1: Introduction	3 Weeks
Unit 1: Class Guidelines and Stigma (9)	
Unit 2: Overview, Prevalence, and History (8)	
Topic 2: Careers	1 Week
• Unit 1: Careers in Counseling and Mental Health (13)	
Unit 2: Consequences of Career Decisions (9)	
Topic 3: Ethics and the Law	3 Weeks
Unit 1: Ethics and Professionalism (9)	
Unit 2: Laws (9)	
Topic 4: The Brain and Nervous System	2 Weeks
Unit 1: Brain and Nervous System (21)	
Topic 5: Mental Health	6 Weeks
• Unit 1: Mental Health and Wellness Across the Lifespan (20)	
Unit 2: Healthy Communication (22)	
Unit 3: Good Practices for Mental Health (22)	
TESTING	1 Week
Topic 6: Theories and Treatments	4 Weeks
Unit 1: Theories (16)	
Unit 2: Treatments (17)	
Topic 7: Mental Disorders	8 Weeks
Unit 1: Overview, Classification, Assessment, Diagnosis,	
Epidemiology, and Etiology (10)	
Unit 2: Disorders that Start in Childhood (13)	
Unit 3: Specific Disorders (23)	
Unit 4: Substance-Related Disorders (26)	
Topic 8: Technology and Information Services	1 Week
Unit 1: Technology and Information Services (8)	
Topic 9: Safety	3 Weeks
 Unit 1: Domestic and Dating Violence, Child Abuse, Suicide (22) 	
Topic 2: Careers	1 Week
Unit 3: Employability Skills (8)	
TESTING	1 Week

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