Handout 1.5.1

Applying Student Success Skills Bell Ringer

What skills do you need to get off to a great start as a student this semester? List three or more.



SLANT for Success

What does each letter in this anagram stand for? Put a + next to those you do in classes. Put a √ next to those you could improve upon.

S =

L =

A =

N =

T =



Reflection/Application

Which SLANT skill(s) do you need to work on? Plan how you will start applying this skill(s) and how you will moni-tor your improvement.

Handout 1.5.2

Understanding Poisonous Zeros

Missing an assignment and getting a zero can be deadly poison on your average grade. Imagine your grades for a class were the same as below. **How does one "zero" affect your overall grade?**



	Example 1	Example 2	Example 3
1st Grade	74	78	96
2nd Grade	66	92	84
3rd Grade	80	76	88
4th Grade	60	84	92
Zero	0	0	0
Average before zero then divide by 4			
Average after zero then divide by 5			
Average with a "50" instead of a zero			

What effect did one "zero" have on the average grades?

Some teachers will let you turn in a late assignment for at least partial credit. How much did changing a "0" with a partial credit of "50" change the average grades?