

Skills Definitions

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Wyoming Content Review Committees use the following definitions as guides when identifying opportunities for the Skills to be embedded in the Content Standards. [Wyoming Standards Design Criteria](#),

Problem Solving-the process of finding solutions to difficult or complex issues; working through the details of a problem to reach a solution.

Interpersonal Communication-the process by which people exchange information, understanding, and meaning through verbal and non-verbal messages; face-to-face communication.

Computational Thinking- the thought processes involved in formulating a problem and expressing its solution(s) in such a way that a computer (human or machine) can effectively carry it out;

Computer Applications-an application program (app) is a computer program designed to perform a group of coordinated functions, tasks, or activities for the benefit of the user.

Critical Thinking-the disciplined process of actively and skillfully conceptualizing, applying, analyzing, synthesizing, and/or evaluating information; disciplined thinking that is clear, rational, open-minded, and informed by evidence.

Creativity-the use of the imagination or original ideas, esp. in the production of a novel work (inventive, imaginative, innovative).

Life/Personal Finance Skills-the skills necessary to be an independent, productive citizen (includes Personal Financial Management Skills-the ability to perform budgets, save and spend monetary resources over time taking into account various financial risks and future life events).