

REALITY CHECK HOME-LINK ACTIVITY

Name _____ Period _____ Due date _____

Dear Parent(s),

Your student has just completed a budgeting activity in CTE using an assigned occupation. Now that your student has a better understanding about managing a budget, it would be meaningful to review the budgeting process you use to balance family income and expenses. **We ask that your student answer the discussion questions below and return them to the CTE teacher.**

Refer to the monthly budget sheet your student has completed in class. It may be helpful to you when discussing budgets with your student. **Please do not send confidential financial information to school.** Thank you for your valuable support in this important activity.

Discussion Questions

1. Why is budgeting important?
2. How do math skills (percentage calculation, addition, subtraction, and multiplication) apply to real life?
3. What is the connection between education, occupational choice, and budgeting?
4. How do unexpected occurrences affect your budget?
5. What did you learn from this activity that helps explain why parents don't always buy everything their family members want?

I have discussed budgeting with my student and helped him/her answer the questions.

Parent Signature