

# REGION 10 "REAL LIFE" Addressing the ECC (Expanded Core Curriculum)

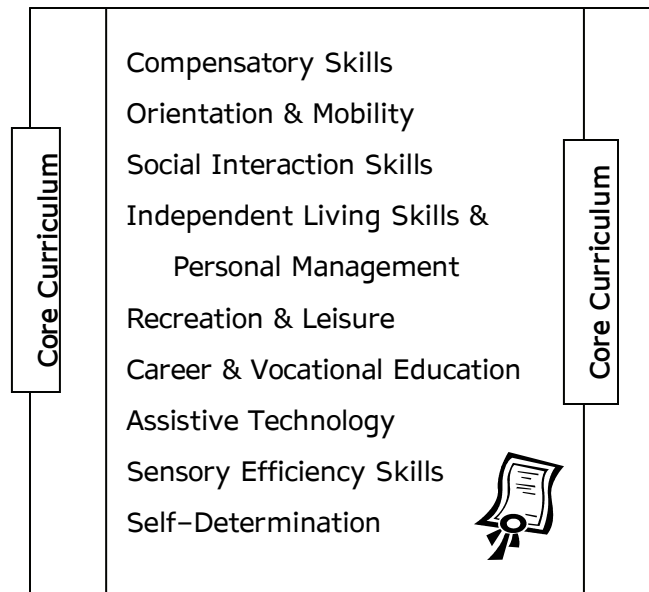
*Compensatory Skills Enrichment Program for  
Students with Visual Impairments and their Families.*

**HOW CAN THE ECC SKILLS BE ADDRESSED?**

- Some skills can be addressed in regular education classes such as homemaking class with modifications/accommodations from VI teachers.
- Some skills can be addressed in special education classes such as PPCD and life skills classes.
- VI Teachers and O&M Specialists can provide direct service in these skill areas during the school day, after school hours or in the summer.
- Parents can assist with developing these skills at home.
- Students can attend summer sessions or weekend sessions at the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired or other camps.
- Vocational classes.
- Students can participate in "Real Life" Addressing the ECC Compensatory Skills Enrichment Program for Students with Visual Impairments and Their Families

### What is the ECC?

In addition to all the core curricular areas included in the general educational curriculum, students with a visual impairment need to be assessed and receive instruction in very specific skills that have been demonstrated to be potential problem areas for persons with a visual disability. These nine specific skill areas comprise the Expanded Core Curriculum. (Wisconsin National Agenda—<http://www.tsbvi.edu/agenda/wi-ecc.htm>)



"Real Life" activities are based on regional students' needs and are developed and implemented by the Region 10 ECC Planning Committee (which is comprised of representatives from LEAs/SSAs, community agencies, & Region 10 ESC). They are hosted approximately every 6 weeks at different locations within the Region 10 service area.

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How can I find out more about the "Real Life" activities scheduled for this year?

- You may contact your child's CTVI or COMS
- Visit the website at <http://www.region10.org/ssvi/ecc.html>
- Contact Christy Householter at:  
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