



Class Rules

1. ARRIVE ON TIME!!!

When the bell rings, be in your seat and ready to learn (that includes having your homework and everything else that you need for class that day with you – **you will not be permitted to go to your locker for your homework or class supplies**). We will start each class with a prayer after the bell rings.

2. ASSIGNED SEATS!!!

Know where your seat is and make sure to sit there every class (unless told otherwise). If someone is absent and you wish to move to that seat for the day, ask for permission first. Bags, backpacks, purses, etc. must be kept on the floor underneath or next to your desk. Please do not block the aisle.

3. EXPECT TO WORK FOR THE ENTIRE CLASS!!

If the bell rings, wait until I dismiss you before getting up to leave. Do NOT start packing your belongings until I am done speaking. When you leave the classroom, make sure the area where you were sitting is clean – throw all trash in the garbage can and make sure your desk is in the proper position.

4. RESPECT, RESPECT, RESPECT!!!

Do not talk when someone else is talking, whether that person is the teacher or another student. Rude and derogatory comments will not be tolerated at any time. This is a math class – if there is any talking before, during, or after class, it should be about math!!! Do not touch another person or person's possessions without permission.

Class Policies

1. Students are required to come to class prepared with the following materials:

- pencil
- 3-ring binder with paper divided into 3 sections: Class Notes, Homework, Postulate/Theorem
- calculator (TI-84 or TI-84 Plus is recommended, colored screen is optional – see syllabus)
- **OPTIONAL:** index cards and (erasable) highlighters are strongly recommended

2. Each student will be assigned a textbook. This textbook must be covered and maintained in good condition. Students that do not return their assigned textbook or return a damaged textbook may incur a replacement fee.

3. NO ELECTRONICS WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE CLASSROOM UNLESS SPECIFIED.

General: Laptops and phones should be turned off and put away unless you are instructed to use them. **If I see a phone, I will take it per the school policy.** Multiple violations may result in detention.

Assessments (Test/Quiz): Most assessments will require a calculator. Each student is required to bring his/her own calculator to class. Laptops may or may not be used as part of any assessment.

Be prepared! Come to class with a charged laptop and charged calculator. Students may NOT share electronic resources during any assessment. Students may not use their phone, smartwatch, or any other electronic device in lieu of a calculator or school approved laptop. Inappropriate use of electronic devices during an assessment may result in a grade of zero for the assessment, a formal reprimand for academic integrity and a detention.

4. Failure to comply with these rules or the rules stated in the student handbook will result in a detention or writing assignment. Writing assignments vary in length depending on offense and number of times offense has occurred. Failure to complete a writing assignment on time will result in a detention.

NOTEBOOK POLICIES:

5. Your notebook MUST have 3 distinct sections, each separated with tabbed dividers. They are (1) Notes – (2) Homework – (3) Definitions/Postulates/Theorems. The Definitions/Postulates/Theorems section is one section.
6. Daily notes must be in the Notes (1st) section of your notebook/binder. Notetaking is a requirement of the class and must be **done by hand** during class. All material needed for the successful completion of the course is presented in class and supported by the text. The teacher may, at her discretion, distribute copies of her personal class notes. Receiving the teacher's personal notes is a PRIVILEGE, not a right! Students are expected to maintain their own daily notes. Each day's notes should include the date, the chapter title, and any material covered in class, including all problems and solutions. Students may hole punch and organize returned work in the binder and need not keep a separate file for returned items.
7. Homework MUST be in the Homework (2nd) section of your notebook/binder. Each homework assignment must begin on a new page and be completed in pencil. You must show all work for each homework problem. NO WORK NO CREDIT! Each homework assignment should include a header. The header of each assignment MUST include the section number, page number, and assigned problems. For example:

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8. The third section of your notebook should contain a running list of ALL postulates and theorems. This means that the postulate/theorem will be covered in the class notes section AND copied again into the postulate/theorem section. You may also include definitions in this section (optional). Be sure to update this section regularly!

HOMEWORK POLICIES:

9. Homework will be given regularly – expect it every day. It will be checked regularly and may be checked for completeness or correctness – my choice. Graded homework assignments will usually be worth 2 points.
10. Homework MUST be in the homework (2nd) section of your notebook/binder. **Each homework assignment must begin on a new page and be completed in pencil.** Each homework assignment must begin with a header. The header of each assignment MUST include the section number, page number, and assigned problems. For example:

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11. **HOMEWORK IS DUE AT THE START OF YOUR CLASS PERIOD OR PRIOR TO YOUR CLASS PERIOD (IF YOU WILL BE MISSING FOR AN EXCUSED ABSENCE SUCH AS A SCHOOL ACTIVITY OR SPORTING EVENT).**

Homework not presented at this time is considered late. Late homework will be accepted for no more than ½ credit up to the day of the chapter test. Late homework from prior chapters will NOT be accepted for credit once a new chapter has begun. **Turn in late homework in the classroom HOMEWORK bin.** All work must be shown on each problem to receive credit on late homework. Late homework is expected to be both complete and correct.

12. Mid-Chapter and Chapter Review homework is ALWAYS due the day before the test. **NO LATE REVIEW PROBLEM SETS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR CREDIT.** If you are absent from school the day a review problem set is due, send me a picture of your completed work via email and turn in the paper copy on the day of your return.
13. NEATNESS IS IMPORTANT!!! **Fringe should always be removed from any paper being handed in, and all work handed in MUST be done in pencil.** This is your warning...any work that is turned in that does not follow these guidelines will result in a loss of points.

Grading Policy

1. Your homework grade is worth 20% of your course grade each quarter. As stated above, homework will be given regularly – expect it every day. It will be checked regularly and may be checked for completeness or correctness – my choice. Graded homework assignments will usually be worth 2 points.
2. “Exams” are tests, quizzes, or projects. Exams are worth 80% of your course grade each quarter. Chapter tests and projects will be announced in advance. Quizzes may be announced or unannounced.
3. Those who are absent from school are RESPONSIBLE for finding out what they missed. Always check Schoology first!

Assignment due the day of an absence: must be turned in on the day the student returns to school. Failure to do so will result in a 0/2 points.

Assignments given on the day(s) of an absence: Students are responsible for obtaining these assignments. **Check Schoology for missed assignments!!** Students may have one day for each day missed to turn in assignments missed due to an excused absence such as illness, injury, or funeral. Absences due vacation or activities such as hockey, field trips, team sports, etc. are due either before leaving the school (for students present for a partial day) or on the day the student returns to school. Failure to have these assignments completed will result in a 0/2 points.

Students absent on the day before an exam/quiz: Students will be expected to take the exam/quiz on the same day as everyone else. Exams/quizzes are usually announced several days in advance and being absent before the exam/quiz is not an excuse for not taking an exam on the set date. Students should be preparing for the exam/quiz several days in advance. Extended absences will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Students absent on exam/quiz days: Make up exams/quizzes will be provided for the student. Students absent only on test day or review and test day will be expected to take the make-up exam on the day of return to school. Students absent due vacation or activities such as hockey, field trips, team sports, etc. will be expected to take the make-up exam on the day of return to school. The make-up exam will be given to your study hall teacher; students without a study hall

will be required to schedule the exam either before or after school. Missing exams/quizzes not made up in a timely fashion will result in a zero for the exam/quiz grade.

MASTERY LEARNING POLICY:

A goal of the class is to gain mastery of the material covered. As such, students will be permitted to retake one (1) test per quarter where the student scored below a 75%. The exam may be retaken only once; the retake score will replace the original test score, regardless if it is higher or lower, and will not exceed 75%. The request for a retake must be made within one week of the original test date and/or as announced by the instructor. Before retaking a test, the student must complete some form of remediation, as determined by the instructor. This may vary depending on the nature and topic of the test. The remediation must be completed by an agreed-upon date (specified in the Retake Request form) and must be both complete and correct in order to qualify for a retake exam. Bonus opportunities will NOT be available on test retakes. The mastery learning policy does not apply to any grade penalized by cheating or unethical behavior. The mastery learning policy does not apply to Midterms and Finals.

Rules and policies are subject to change at the discretion of the teacher.