

Geometry Classroom Policies (2019-2020)



Welcome to Geometry! I am excited to work with all of you, and I hope we can get to know one another throughout the year. If you work hard and apply a positive attitude, the knowledge you gain from this course will not only help you advance in math, but will help you gain the skills necessary to problem solve and think critically about the world around you.

To be successful in this course, I expect you to:

- Be respectful to everyone in the room
- Participate and persevere in problem-solving
- Show up prepared and on time each day to class
- Be responsible for your learning
- Have academic integrity



In return, you can expect me to provide a safe and respectful learning environment and provide frequent feedback to you throughout the course of the year. If you have concerns at any time, please communicate them with me so we can make this a great year.

Materials you should bring to each class:

- A notebook and a 3-Ring Binder are recommended for this course as handouts will be given regularly
- TI-NSpire CX CAS calculator (charged)
- Pencil will be required on all assessments
- Pen to self-correct
- Textbook: Geometry (Prentice Hall Mathematics)
this can be left at home unless I ask you to bring it in



Absences:

- It is your responsibility to get all missed notes and assignments from class whenever you are absent. In the event of a prearranged absence, it is expected you get the work ahead of time for the days you will miss
- Students have up to 2 school days to make up a test or quiz in the Testing Center.
- Students with absences the day before a quiz/test will take the quiz/test on the scheduled date
- Assignment guides handed out in class are only a guide. Visit my website for the most up-to-date list of assignments to be sure you are caught up with the rest of the class.

Phones/Email:

- Cell phones are not allowed to be out or used in the classroom at any time without teacher permission. Outside of class, I expect you to regularly check your school email as this is how I will communicate assignment changes and other important class updates with you.



Tardies:

- I care a lot about starting class on time. If you are late from another class, bring a pass from your teacher. If your tardiness is unexcused, you will receive the following consequences:
 - 1st tardy = verbal warning
 - 2nd tardy = 7:45am detention
 - 3rd tardy = 7:30am detention
 - 4th tardy and subsequent = Dean referral

Grades:

- This course is graded on a semester basis, and grades will not be considered for rounding until the end of the semester. It is your responsibility to check Infinite Campus regularly to be aware of your grade.
- Grades will be determined based on the following breakdown:
 - Homework: 8%
 - Tests/Quizzes/Classwork: 72%
 - Final Exam: 20%

Homework:

- Homework will be assigned daily. To receive full credit for the assignment, copy the original problem, show all work, and mark corrections in a different color. Homework that contains solutions only with no supporting work will not be awarded any credit.
- Late homework will only be accepted for partial credit until the day of the chapter test. There will be no credit after that point.



Quizzes and Tests:

- Quizzes and tests will be announced in advance according to the assignment guide. Quizzes will be returned to students to help prepare for upcoming tests. Tests cannot leave the school with the students, but they will be kept on file and students can set up a time to see them.
- Any student caught cheating on quizzes or tests will be written up for academic dishonesty and may receive other penalties as determined by the teacher.
- Students are allowed to retake tests at the discretion of the teacher.

Extra Support:

I welcome you to come in at any time for help (our office is in A209). I appreciate advance notice if you want to meet with me, but you are also welcome to stop by at any time to see if I am available. The Learning Center is also a great resource for math support. They are open every day before, during, and after school.