

PRECALCULUS

Class Policies and Procedures
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PreCalculus Course Description

This course emphasizes algebra concepts and procedures at higher conceptual levels, as a tool, and in the study of other subjects. The theory and applications of trigonometry and functions are developed in depth. Additionally, vectors, matrices, and polar coordinates are introduced. Families of functions will be used for modeling and solving real-world problems. Pre-Calculus is strongly recommended for all college bound students. A student will receive one elective math credit upon successful completion of this course.

Attendance Policy

Consistent attendance is required for this class. Mathematical concepts build upon previous material. Thus, it is essential that students attend class every day and keep up with all assignments. Therefore, arrive to each class session on time. The school tardy policy will be enforced. Disciplinary consequences will be imposed for each tardy as described in the student code of conduct. If you are absent from class, it is your responsibility to obtain the assignment, to find out if the homework assignment was checked, and to present the make up assignment for grading. You will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up the work; however, all work must be checked and recorded prior to the test on the missed assignment. If you miss a test or quiz, arrangements to make it up should be made the day you return to school. No extra time will be given if you arrive late.

Grading Scale

The grading scale will be as follows:

A	87-100	C	67-76	F	Below 60
B	77-86	D	60-66		

The number of points earned will be recorded for each bellwork, classwork, homework, quiz and test. Daily work will count for 100 points per assignment, meanwhile quizzes will count for approximately 300 points each, and tests will be scored out of 1000 points. The card marking grade will be calculated by adding up the points earned and dividing by the number of points possible. A letter grade will then be assigned according to the aforementioned scale. Each card marking will constitute 40% of the semester grade, and the final exam will account for the last 20%.

Homework

Homework is an important part of your learning process and you can expect to have homework every night. Homework will usually be discussed in class the next school day after it is assigned. Homework will be collected frequently. It will be checked for *completeness and effort*. **Show all work.**

If you are absent or tardy, it is YOUR responsibility to ensure that your assignments are submitted. Assignments should be completed in pencil. Your name, the date and your hour are to be written in the upper right-hand corner of the page. The assignment title, including the page number and assigned problems, should be written as a heading on the first line. **Homework must be written in pencil.** Homework that is not submitted in pencil will require a rewrite before points will be awarded.

Quizzes and Tests

There will likely be at least 2 assessments during each nine-week period. Partial credit is given on most parts of tests and quizzes where work is required to be shown. **All tests and quizzes must be taken in pencil.**

Tutoring

Please utilize extra help if you need it! I am here to help you be successful! Do not wait until you make a poor grade on a test or grading period to ask for help. Tutoring will be available

Teacher Philosophy

Each student is expected to behave in a professional manner. Remember, every student in this room has the right to an education without disruptive influences or distractions of any kind from other students. Furthermore, as a teacher I have the right to teach without the same disruptions or distractions from students.

It is my goal to maintain a classroom atmosphere that is conducive to the study of mathematics, and to explain all concepts to the best of my ability. I can provide the environment and guidance, but I cannot learn for you. **You are responsible for your learning.**

Suggested Materials

Notebook (Binder)

Lined Paper

Pencils

Graphing Calculator (preferably TI-84)