

Syllabus  
Mr. Nichols

## I. General Information

*Room Number:* T3

*School Phone:* (281) 641-6300

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*Tutorial Times:* Wednesdays 3:00 – 4:10, Other tutorial times by appointment.

## II. Supplies

Materials: Notes (Paper), Pencil, Notebook or folder, textbook (online will be fine).

Calculators: HP Prime calculators will be provided to each student for use. These calculators cannot be checked out of the classroom. Students are encouraged to purchase their own calculator to become comfortable with the technology, or download the HP Prime free app to their phone.

## III. Classroom Expectations, Rules, and Consequences

### SCHOOL RULES SAY:

*\*\*\*Although HHS is a BYOD campus now, it is the Teacher's choice if their classroom is a Green Zone. My class will be a **RED ZONE** unless otherwise stated. If you are caught with any electronic device on your person during a quiz or test, you will receive a zero for the assignment and will not be allowed to make it up. \*\*\**

*\*\*\*Only bottled water is allowed in the classroom. \*\*\**

### Class Rules:

1. Be respectful to faculty/staff, the teacher, your peers, and yourself.
2. Be positive and participate in class.
3. Bring materials to class (pencil/pen, paper, notes, etc.).
4. Follow directions the first time given.
5. Be proactive in your behavior and work.

### Consequences:

1. Redirection of behavior
2. Teacher / student conference
3. Parent / guardian contact
4. Referral to Principal

### Expectations:

- *Warm-Ups:* Read the agenda on the board/screen. Noise level is *silent*. Warm-ups are to be done independently.
- *Turning in Homework:* Have homework out on desk ready to turn in at the beginning of class. If turned in after the beginning of class, the homework will be considered late.
- *Class Work:* Everyone is expected to work on class work. You will be expected to have your book in order to do classwork. Show your work! Class work can be used as a study tool later.
- *Group and Lab work:* Do **not** make any negative comments when you are assigned to your group. Be respectful and encouraging to your peers. You should only be talking to the members of your group and only about the project or activity. Each person should be actively involved with the project. You can ask questions and get help once your group has discussed the solution.
- *Quiz Time:* Quizzes are to be worked on independently, unless otherwise stated. Turn in when finished and remain quiet until THE TEACHER says everyone is finished.
- *TESTS:* Turn test in when finished and remain quiet until THE TEACHER says everyone is finished. If you are knowingly going to be absent, please make arrangements to take the test early, as soon as possible. If you are unable to schedule a date, you will be advised to take the make-up exam. If you miss a test for any reason, you will have ONE week to make-up the exam. Specific circumstances will be addressed in an individual manner. Reassessment will be done in accordance with school policy.
- *Calculator Use:* Respect the calculators. It is a privilege that you get to use them. Do not write or press on the calculator screen. Do not take out the batteries. Please inform the teacher if the calculator will not turn on. Do not peel the stickers or tape off of the calculator. The calculators are not to leave the classroom. Calculators are to be put away before you leave class.
- *Restroom:* Per school rules, students may not use the restroom during the first or last 10 minutes of class. You cannot use the restroom during lessons. If you need to go to the restroom, raise your hand and ask politely.

- *Completing Homework:* Please see format posted on bulletin board.

#### IV. Grading Policy

Formative Assessments: Academic Practice, Daily Grades, Exit tickets, Labs and Quizzes = 30%

Summative Assessments: Tests & Projects = 70%

- Assignments will be checked and graded periodically. Answers only will NOT be acceptable. DO NOT COPY work from another student. This will result in a ZERO and disciplinary action. Homework may be used on warm-ups and quizzes so it is important that you show your work.
- **Reading:** It is essential that you read the textbook. Any time I assign practice problems, you should also read the relevant section. Your book has more examples than I have time to do in class, and can often be helpful as a different way to present the material. In college you will often be assessed on parts of the book not mentioned in lecture, so it is important to begin honing your skills at reading math textbooks!
- **Practice Problems:** The only way to really learn mathematics is to practice it! You will have problems assigned daily that must be completed before the next class meeting, when we will check them together.
- **Tests:** All of your assessments will mimic the exam you will take in the spring.
- **Projects and Labs:** Our course material gives ample opportunity for labs and projects. Often they will take place in class, but sometimes are assigned for home. For any group project you are expected to be an active participant, and should be prepared to reflect on and communicate the results of the activity yourself.

#### V. How to be Successful in a Math Class

- Attend class every day
- Follow class procedures, expectations and school rules
- Do assignments on the day it's assigned
- Attend tutorials when absent or for extra help
- Keep an organized notebook or folder
- Check your class status on Home Access Center (HAC) regularly
- Use the on-line resources and tutorial videos when you need extra help

#### VI. Helpful links

Google Classroom Code: rhhomv

Remind Codes: Classroom - @hhsnichols

Academic Team - @hhsacadem

HP Prime Calculator – Download the 'HP Free APP'

We are going to make this school year a great one!

Mr. Timothy Nichols, M.Ed.