

MRS. ILIESCU's EXPECTATIONS

CALCULUS 2011-2012

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Website: My Communicator site will be updated daily with homework, notes, and upcoming test dates

Attendance: It is very important that you attend class. If you are not in class, you will have a very difficult time mastering the material. There are 3 steps to removal from class for non-attendance (see your student handbook). Administrator will issue a loss of credit notice for any student with 10 or more absences (per semester).

Tardies: You're tardy if you're not **in your seat** when the bell rings. If you are more than 10 minutes late to class, this is considered an absence. (See handbook for school policies on this issue.)

First tardy = verbal warning. Second tardy = detention Third tardy = discipline referral.

Grading Scale:

A	90-100	Excellent/Thorough
B+	88-89	
		Good/Essential
B-	80-81	
C+	78-79	
C	72-77	Fair/Partial
C-	70-71	
D+	68-69	Poor/Limited
D	60-67	
F	Below 60	

Categories and Weights:

Homework/ Participation/ Notes	10%
Assessments (tests and quizzes)	55 %
Final Exam	35%

Grades will be calculated with the given percentages above.
Your semester grades are not computed by averaging quarters.
Consider your semester grade to be the compilation of all points in the semester. Updated grades are posted every Monday and can be checked on Standards Score.

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

1. Respect for all people in classroom - treat others as you yourself would like to be treated - no talking while others are talking
2. Always take notes and follow directions the 1st time given
3. Respect for school and people's property
4. **No food or drinks allowed (only water)**
5. **Phones and any other electronic device (iPods, I-phones, Zune etc) must be turned off and placed out of sight.** (This is a RHS Math Department Policy)

CONSEQUENCES:

1st offence Verbal warning, 2nd offence Detention 3rd offence Discipline referral (sent to office)

PORTFOLIO: Students must include one item per semester from their math class in their high school portfolio (graduation requirement). Specific information on which items to include will be given as the semester progresses.

MISSING WORK: All assignments missed due to excused absence must be completed within two school days following your return to school. **Failure to take a test will result in a zero.** If you are absent the day before a test, **you still must take the test on the assigned date.** **An unexcused absence on a day of a test will result in a zero.** It is your responsibility to get the assignment and arrange for make-up work. Work missed due to unexcused absences cannot be made up. Note: Tests cannot be retaken. This is a RHS Math Department Policy.

REQUIREMENTS:

HOMEWORK will be given on a daily basis. Calculus students can expect about one hour of homework per day, after all this is a college level class. **ALL HOMEWORK IN MY CLASSES MUST BE DONE IN PENCIL.**

Corrections that I allow you to do on your paper in class will be done in pen. That way I can tell which problems you had done when you came into class. If you are changing answers in class with pencil, you will not receive any credit on that assignment. Papers should be neat, without doodling, crossing-out of work, etc. We use pencil because even the best mathematicians make errors. Use your eraser. Papers that are not neatly done will not receive full credit. It is my standards, and not yours, that determines what is considered "neatly done". The problem that you are doing should be on your assignment as well as any drawings or calculations you do to come to an answer. You will not be given credit for a problem that does not have all the work shown neatly in an area reserved for that particular problem. At the top of each assignment you should put:

Your Name
Subject and Period
Homework number (pages & problems)

NOTEBOOKS: Each student is required to keep an individual notebook for math or a notebook that clearly has a section that is labeled for math. This should be a three-ring type binder. In this notebook you should keep a copy of these expectations and your assignments for that section. Your assignments should be arranged in an order that goes with each chapter. In addition it is vital that you have something like a spiral notebook for your note taking in class and from the book. You will want this when you go to college! After we correct an assignment there is no reason that you should not have the correct answer and the work that leads to it! If we do not go over a problem that you missed, make sure you come and get help on it before we test.

MATERIALS NEEDED: Everyday you are expected to bring your math book, your notebook used for note taking, a pen for corrections, and a pencil with eraser. I will no longer accept homework that is torn from any spiral notebook, even those that are supposed to detach at a perforation. It makes a mess all over the floor. Please have loose leaf notebook paper for your homework. My personal preference is a mechanical pencil - they never need sharpening and in general are the easiest method for producing neat and orderly papers. It is my suggestion that you purchase a pencil pouch that attaches to your three-ring notebook to keep these in. Students in all of my classes are required to have a graphing calculator.

PARTICIPATION: Your participation grade is based upon your attendance, tardies, classroom activities (working problems, taking notes, active listening, ability to keep on task). Your cooperation with other students and the teacher is expected.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY does a disservice to the student, the student's peers, and the teacher, and will result in immediate administrative referral and loss of credit on the assignment.

From the RHS Student Handbook:

Any student who knowingly submits work of others represented as his/her own shall be considered to have engaged in academic dishonesty. Academic dishonesty also includes the aiding and abetting of academic dishonesty of others. This includes the unauthorized use of electronic devices.

- *First offense:* Loss of credit for the assignment; parent contact
- *Second offense:* Loss of credit for the semester; short and/or long term suspension

RESOURCES AND EXTRA HELP: After school (Mon, Tue, Thru) are great times to get individual help with something you do not understand in my class or to do catch-up work! Let me know ahead of time and I will be sure to be in my room. You can email me with questions, comments, and/or concerns at ailiescu@lwsd.org. I am looking forward to working with you this semester. Let's have a wonderful year!