

**Welcome to Discovering Geometry
2009/2010**

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Math Help: before or after school Mon, Tue, Thru

Purpose: The objective of this class is to formalize the reasoning skills you have developed in previous grades and solidify your understanding of what it means to prove a geometric statement mathematically, to use the power of algebra to solve problems about shapes and space. The mathematical thinking, reasoning, and problem-solving processes you learn in high school mathematics can be used throughout your lives as you deal with a world in which an increasing amount of information is presented in quantitative ways, and more and more occupations and fields of study rely on mathematics.

Materials needed:

- ✓ Binder with 4 dividers
- ✓ Lined and graph paper
- ✓ Pencils, erasers, correcting pen
- ✓ Scientific or graphing calculator
- ✓ Ruler, protractor, compass

Grading Scale:

A	100 - 90	Excellent/Thorough
B+	89 - 88	
B	87 - 82	Good/Essential
B-	81 - 80	
C+	79 - 78	
C	77 - 72	Fair/Partial
C-	71 - 70	
D	69 - 60	Poor/Limited
F	Below 60	

Categories and Weights:

Homework/ Class Activities	25%
Quizzes	15 %
Tests	40%
Final Exam	20%

Grades will be calculated with the given percentages above.
Updated grades are posted every Monday and can be checked on Web Grader.

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

1. Be seated and ready to start BEFORE the bell.
2. Follow the RHS Operating Principles outlined in the student handbook.
3. Please be in your best behavior, no disruptive behavior will be accepted for example: being a distraction such as talking loudly or being out of your work area or having a social conversation instead of math work
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.**

Consequences: 1st offence Verbal warning, 2nd offence Student /Teacher conference (after school 15 min)
3rd offence) Discipline referral, and parent contact

REQUIREMENTS

Homework/ Class Activities: This is worth 25% of your grade. It is important that you come to class prepared everyday and that you participate constructively. Activities that are not finished in class turn into homework. The homework is due the next day. All class work and homework corrected needs to be kept in your binder/folder. Some of the class activities are going to be group or partner work. You will also be asked to present personally or as a group problems to the class.

Grading Group work: I am going to collect all group members' papers, but I am going to mark only one of the papers. All group members receive the same grade. It is your responsibility as a group member to make sure that everyone is doing the work and understands the problems.

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.

Assessments - tests & quizzes: Plan on a test or quiz every week. Tests will be announced ahead time, check class calendar on my website.

Missing Work:

All assignments missed due to excused absence must be completed within three 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.

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). Any student with 10 or more absences (per semester) may be dropped from class.

First tardy = verbal warning. Second tardy = detention (15 min after school in my room). Third tardy = discipline referral.

Academic Dishonesty: You, the student, are expected to conduct yourself with integrity. If you cheat, or aid someone else in cheating, you violate a trust. Cheating includes, but is not limited to, copying answers on tests or activities, glancing at nearby test papers, stealing, plagiarizing, and illicitly giving or receiving help on exams. Discipline for any student found engaging in "dishonest behavior" will range from a "0" on the work in question to loss of credit for the semester. **DO NOT CHEAT OR PLAGERIZE!**

Resources and Extra Help: Before and 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!

Mrs. Iliescu

(Please cut on the dotted line and return the bottom portion for your first 5 points)

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I have read and fully understand the course requirements and policies.

Student Name (Please Print) _____

Student Signature _____ Parent Signature _____