

Course Outline

Mr. Frees

Welcome to Mr. Frees' class. To help you achieve success in mathematics, I will require the following of you on a daily basis:

1. Be in class and on time (in your seat when the bell rings). Do not "line up" at the door before the end of the period.
2. Bring your text, a pencil, a graphing calculator, and a math only notebook.
3. Respect your fellow classmates and your teacher.
4. Ask question when they occur and please raise your hand.
5. If your class falls during announcements, please be quiet and attentive during the announcements.
6. Seek extra help when needed. I will be in 204 before and after school.

Homework will be checked for completeness and effort. If you are absent, you must make up the work as soon as possible. I will have assignment guides, but it is your responsibility to find out what you missed.

Being absent the day before a test does not excuse you from taking the test when you come back. Generally, if you are absent for X days, you have X days to make up the work. Tests must be made up within 1 week. If they are not made up in one week, it will be counted as a zero. If you are absent on the day of a test, you will be expected to make it up upon your return.

Your grade will be determined by tests, quizzes, projects, homework, and positive interaction with peers and teacher. Your grade will be comprised of the following percentages:

Homework: 20% (this includes any projects or participation)

Quizzes: 30%

Tests: 50%

Grade scale (percents) is the standard 90-80-70-60%

The student handbook will be followed in cases of discipline. However, to avoid confusion, nothing that will disrupt the learning process will be allowed in class. We will all respect each other and we will have a great year learning math together.

See: www.mrfrees.com

Electronic Devices Policy

Students are expected to give their full attention to classroom activities. Cell phones/smartphones, portable gaming systems, digital music players, and other electronic computing devices should be **turned off** and **put away** when students are in my classroom. **If a student has one of these devices out in class or if it rings in class, that student will receive a written dean's referral.**

- Earbuds/headphones need to be completely put away (zipped up in a book bag or under your desk, not dangling from your neck)
- Finish texting/conversing on your phone BEFORE entering the classroom, and have the phone off and put away before class begins.
- Let me know if there is an emergency where you need to contact home right away and I will arrange for you to do so. If there is an emergency where your parents need to reach you, they will be able to contact the school and have you notified in class right away.
- Due to test security concerns, I may ask students to leave any book bags at the front of the room during a quiz/test day so that students do not have phones/IPODS/etc. on their person during the quiz/test (it is believed that students have photographed portions of tests in the past).
- Tests/quizzes will almost always have a graphing-calculator allowed portion. I will typically clear/reset the memory on everyone's calculators before and/or after the test or quiz.
- I may allow personal music players to be out and in use from time to time (if everyone has finished a test early or if there is quiet work time at the end of a class), but make sure that you have been given permission before getting them out.

The goal of my policy is to foster engagement in my classroom and fairness on my class assessments. If you have any questions or concerns about my policy, please contact me to discuss them.