

MATHEMATICS CLASS EXPECTATIONS

Dear Student and Parent/Guardian:

This information sheet will help students and their parents/guardians know exactly what is expected in every Mathematics class.

- A. **School Policies**. All school policies will be enforced in each Mathematics class, including:
1. Students may not use a cell phone or any other electronic device.
 2. Students may not wear a hat or jacket. These must be put away in assigned lockers.
- B. **Routines**. It is expected that all students will:
1. arrive to class before the late bell.
 2. begin working on the Problem of the Day (Do Now) upon arrival.
 3. have homework ready to be reviewed and/or checked.
 4. be prepared to place homework problems on the board or document reader.
 5. bring a signed note from a parent or doctor upon returning to class after an absence of one or two days. A doctor's note is needed for longer absences.
 6. maintain an excellent record of attendance and punctuality. **Every** class is important.
- C. **Notebook and Graphing Calculator**. All students will need a notebook devoted to Mathematics and a graphing calculator.
1. Your child's teacher will discuss all other materials needed for class.
 2. Each student is expected to create a class notebook that is complete, shows all work in detail, and has a daily proper heading.
 3. See the attachment regarding *how to take notes and keep a good mathematics notebook*.
- D. **Classwork**. Each student is expected to:
1. copy and study all work on the chalkboard, whiteboard, or Smartboard.
 2. take notes during any discussion.
 3. participate in class discussions by raising their hand to ask and answer questions.
 4. participate in cooperative group discussions and activities.
 5. See the attachment regarding *Mathematics Participation Tips*.
- E. **Textbooks**. Textbooks are distributed in every Mathematics class. Students are expected to:
1. cover the textbook.
 2. never write anything in the textbook.
 3. bring the text to class as required by the teacher.
 4. See the attachment regarding *reading a math textbook, model problem or word problem*.
- F. **Homework**. Homework is an essential and integral part of the Mathematics class. The following items pertain to homework:
1. Homework is assigned, checked and reviewed *daily*.
 2. All necessary steps, work, and explanations must be shown. Writing just the final answers is *not* acceptable and no credit will be given for the assignment.
 3. In case of absence, a student is responsible for homework assigned.
 4. See the attachment regarding *organizing and completing mathematics homework*.

G. **Tests.** The following items pertain to tests:

1. Tests are given approximately every 1 – 2 weeks and are announced ahead of time.
2. There is a final exam for each marking period.
3. Quizzes may also be given (with or without announcement).
4. See the attachment regarding *how to study for a mathematics exam*.

H. **Regents Exams.**

1. If your class is scheduled for a Regents Exam, your attendance at the exam is mandatory.
2. If your class is scheduled for a Regents Exam your teacher will explain how the Regents Exam will affect your report card grade. Under no circumstance may a Regents Exam count for more than 1/3 of the final grade.
3. According to NYS Regulations you cannot earn **class** credit just for passing the Regents Exam.
4. All students are expected to earn Regents Exam grades at the College-Ready level.

I. **Report Cards.** Grades will be based on:

1. Test and/or quiz average. **This is the primary factor considered for report card grades.**
2. Cooperative group work, class participation, and class performance
3. Homework. Failure to do homework will result in a lower grade.
4. Attendance/lateness. You will be penalized for lateness and cutting.
5. Each marking period is graded independently.
6. The final report card in June will consider your work for the entire year, including any Regents exam for which you are scheduled.

J. **Ongoing Self-Assessment and Consultation.**

1. Keep your own record of all your math exam/quiz scores, dates of absence and lateness, and daily class participation.
2. See the attached regarding *self-assessment and self-evaluation*.
3. At any time feel free to make an appointment with your teacher to discuss your progress.

For Parents/Guardians: You can log onto pupilpath.skedula.com at any time to see your child's record of attendance, most recent report card, and transcript. To find his/her teacher's e-mail address, should you wish to contact the teacher, log onto the Aviation HS website, www.aviationhs.net We ask that you check each night to see if your child has done his/her math homework.

Please review these expectations and the attached documents with your child and complete the information below. All of this material is to be placed in your child's mathematics notebook.

We have read and discussed the Mathematics Class Expectations and the attachments.

Date: _____

Student's name (print) _____

Student's signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____

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