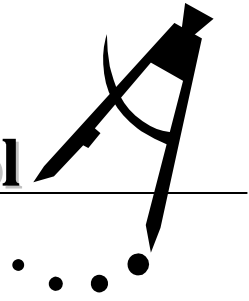


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GEOMETRY



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By registering for Geometry taught by Mr. Villa, you agree to the terms and policies set forth in this syllabus.

CLASSROOM GUIDELINES

- **BE RESPONSIBLE**
Have all necessary materials and homework completed before coming to school that day. Take notes, participate in class discussions, and complete all math assignments. If you are absent, check for work assigned on the website.
- **BE RESPECTFUL**
Arrive to class on time and start assignments listed on the assignment board. Treat classmates, teacher, and yourself well.
- **BE CONSIDERATE**
Maintain a safe environment for learning and respect to right of others to learn. No cellphones and electronic equipment. No throwing of objects in class. No gum, food or drinks in the classroom (bottled water acceptable).

Failure to abide by classroom guidelines will result in an appropriate disciplinary action.

TEXTBOOK

Discovering Geometry, Fourth Edition by Michael Serra; published by Key Curriculum Press, 2008

Textbook is available online only. To access textbook, go to <http://www.keymath.com/x19356.xml> and enter the ClassPass in the upper right of the webpage.

CLASSPASS: _____

COURSE MATERIALS

- Paper (College-ruled or plain white)
- Pencils (No. 2)
- three-ring binder with 5 dividers within geometry section
- Colored Pencils
- Ballpoint pen (red, green or blue preferably)
- Compass (good quality)
- Protractor
- Straight Edge (ruler)

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following is a breakdown of the weight of each evaluation criterion toward final grading:

- Homework/Notebook/Class Participation: 25%
- Quizzes: 10%
- Exams/Projects: 50%
- Final Exam: 15%

HOMEWORK

Homework assignments will be given in the form of a worksheet on a daily basis. Daily assignments can be found on the website. These homework assignments will be turned in the next block schedule day after the homework is assigned. Homework grading will be based on writing using correct mathematical notation, amount of steps and reasoning used in each problem, and completeness. Additional details of grading follow.

- 5 points All relevant work shown
All problems done or at least partially attempted
Written neatly in pencil
Corrected in class with a colored pen
Problems completed on a separate sheet of paper
- 4 points Most relevant work shown
All problems done or at least partially attempted
Written in pencil
- 3 points Half relevant work shown
At least half of the problems are done or attempted
Written in pencil
- 2 points Only answers written down
Most of the assignment is completed
Written in pen
- 1 point Only answers written down
Only about half the assignment is completed
Written in pen
- 0 points Not turned in on due date (unexcused absence)
Not turned in next block schedule day (excused absence)

No Late assignments will be accepted for an unexcused absence. If a student has an excused absence, the assignment will be accepted the day the student returns and will have one day to make up the assignment from each day of absence from geometry class. The homework will account for about 25 % of your final grade.

QUIZZES

Two quizzes from each chapter will be issued online. Due dates for each quiz will be given in class and on the online calendar. Failure to complete the quiz by the due date will result in a zero score for that quiz. If student is absent the due date of a quiz, they will still be held responsible for the completion of the quiz unless a previous exception has been made.

Quizzes can be accessed from the teacher's website, the Wiki, or directly from <http://www.quia.com/web/studentZoneBegin.html>

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PASSWORD: _____

Quizzes will account for 10% of your final grade.

EXAMS

Each exam will be comprehensive up to the material learned in each chapter. No calculators are allowed on any of the exams unless stated beforehand by the instructor. It is up to the discretion of the teacher as to whether an exam can be made-up.

No make-ups are allowed for any exam unless the absence is excused by Attendance Personnel. Exams will account for about 50% of your final grade.

PROJECTS

Projects will be assigned within units and will have different time limits depending on the difficulty of the project. For student and parent/guardian convenience, no work is expected on the project during district-issued holidays; however, Saturdays and Sundays can be factored into project time. Please contact teacher immediately after a project is assigned if materials are ever difficult to obtain or whenever you expect to be absent the day a project is due.

CLASS PARTICIPATION

Class participation is based on warm-ups, daily assignments, constructions, attendance, participation in class discussions, and being prepared on a daily basis. A student will be given all participations points for a day when all work is complete and it is clear the student is working constructively in class. Class participation will account for 5% of your final grade.

NOTEBOOK

A three-ring binder is needed for the notebook. Within the geometry section of the notebook, you will need to have 5 dividers – one for each of the following:

- Notes (for notes taken in class and any in-class exercises or worksheets)
- Tests/Quizzes
- Warm-ups
- Homework (both bookwork and worksheets)
- Constructions

After each even chapter test, students will be graded on completeness of each evaluation criterion in the notebook.

FINAL EXAM

The final exam is comprehensive. However, greater emphasis is placed on rational equations, functions, radicals, and their connections to geometry. No calculators are allowed on the final exam. The final exam will account for 15% of your final grade.

GRADING POLICY

Point values for each of the evaluation criteria (homework, quizzes, exams, and final exam) will not be raised at the risk of damaging a student's overall letter grade.

If a student is caught cheating, policies issued by Ventura Unified School District according to Board Policies BP 513.9 and AR 5131.9 (a)-(g) will be evaluated for an appropriate course of action and a Level One Parent Notification will be filed.

Letter grades will be issued according to the percentage of points earned out of the total points possible in the course.

- 100% – 90% A
- 89% – 80% B
- 79% – 70% C
- 69% – 60% D
- 59% and lower F

CLASSROOM CONDUCT POLICY

Students are to show respect toward the instructor during any school day. Students should arrive promptly to class; students should keep conversations to a minimum; students leaving early from class should give prior notice to the teacher.

Students are to show respect toward other students during class. Questions should be short and direct; disruptions should be avoided at any cost.

No food, drinks or gum are allowed in class at any time. Only water in a clear plastic bottle with a screw cap is allowed during class.

Cellphones must be turned off or programmed to silent ring. Also any walkmans or MP3 players are not allowed. According to Foothill Technology HS policy, "Beepers/Cell Phones (electronic equipment) are NOT allowed on Foothill Technology High School campus at any time. (California Education Code 48901.5. Electronic Signaling Devices Prohibited). 'No school shall permit the possession or use of any electronic signaling device by pupils during school hours.'"

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____