

Classroom Policies

1. Exams/Quizzes (80% of course grade)

- 1.1 Each exam is worth 100 points and is cumulative.
- 1.2 Exam dates are announced well in advance (at least one week before the exam).
- 1.3 Exams will be given on Tuesdays or Thursdays.
- 1.4 Quizzes may be announced or unannounced and are usually worth from 10 to 25 points each.

2. Homework (10% of course grade)

- 2.1 Each student is assigned a three-digit Student ID number which must be written in *the upper left-hand corner* of every page submitted.
- 2.2 Homework assignments will be numbered. The homework number must be clearly written in the *upper right-hand corner* of every page submitted.
- 2.3 Homework assignments must be done on 8.5" x 11" paper or on the worksheet provided. (If more than one sheet is needed, be sure to write your student ID number on all sheets. Please do not use staples or paper clips and remove any frayed edges.)
- 2.4 Each day, students from an assigned row will be responsible for putting up the solutions on the chalkboard and briefly explaining their work to the class.
- 2.5 When homework is reviewed in class each day, be sure to correct any errors you might have made.
- 2.6 Homework will be collected each day and returned to you promptly. *Late homework will not be accepted.*
- 2.7 Your homework grade will be based on both effort and accuracy. Missing assignments will lower your homework grade.

3. Participation (10% of course grade)

- 3.1 Students are expected to participate in class discussions and to respond loudly and clearly.
- 3.2 Unsatisfactory class participation will *lower your grade*. Excellent participation can *raise your grade*.
- 3.3 You are expected to arrive to class on time. When the bell has rung, you should already be in your seat and beginning the work on the chalkboard.
- 3.4 Excessive lateness disrupts the class, detracts from your class participation, and thus will *lower your grade*.
- 3.5 Be sure to follow school policies regarding absences. If you are absent, you must present a legitimate note excusing your absence. All unexcused absences (cuts) detract from your class participation and will *lower your grade*.

4. Supplies

- 4.1 Since there will be many handouts in this class, a three-ring binder is required. Handouts will usually be hole-punched for your convenience.
- 4.2 A Texas Instruments graphing calculator is required and must be brought to class every day. The TI-83 or TI-84 models are recommended; models such as the TI-89, which have symbolic manipulation abilities, are not recommended since they are not permitted on class exams or Regents exams.
- 4.3 Pens, pencils, and a straightedge must be brought to class every day.
- 4.4 Failure to come prepared for class will lower the participation portion of your grade.

5. Extra Help/Tutoring

- 5.1 I am available during the day for extra help. Times and locations will be announced soon.
- 5.2 Speak to me in person or email me if you would like to request help before or after school.
- 5.3 Arista members may be available to tutor you. Watch for announcements during the school year.

6. Web Site/Contact Info

- 6.1 Important announcements, exam dates, homework assignments, updates to this document, and more are available on my website at www.shahomework.com.
- 6.2 Student grades and attendance data may be accessed online. The default password is the student's 9-digit OSIS number. Speak to me in person or email me if you would like to change your password. *Parents are encouraged to log in regularly to check their child's progress.*
- 6.3 The best way to contact me is by email. You may either use the contact form on my website or send an email to me directly at shahom@shahomework.com.

Please DO NOT cut off the bottom of this sheet. Return the *entire sheet* signed by you and your parent.
You have been given an extra copy of this document for you to keep in your notebook.

Signing below indicates that you have read and understood the classroom policies described above.

Date: _____

Student's Name (print): _____

Signature: _____

Parent's Name (print): _____

Signature: _____