

Keys to Success

Act in a respectful manner

Be respectful of each other at all times. This includes coming to class each day prepared and on time.

Be accountable and stay on top of your work

You will be held accountable for your actions and/or inactions. Math is sequential in nature. If you allow yourself to fall behind, you will hinder your ability to understand future material.

Get to class and be an active participant in all learning activities

You place yourself at a decided disadvantage whenever you miss class. You're responsible for finding out the work you missed due to an absence. While in class, stayed focused and avoid distractions - **turn your cell phone off**. You will not be successful by simply sitting and being a passive observer in class – you need to be an active participant in your education.

Complete your homework and study your notes

Homework is designed to reinforce the day's lesson. Practice what you're taught - the more you do, the better you will get. Read through your definitions and theorems on a nightly basis. Proper vocabulary and terminology is very important throughout the course.

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Evaluation

The quarterly grade is calculated by dividing the total number of points earned by the total possible points. Anything graded throughout the quarter (tests, quizzes, homework and class work assignments) will be included in the grade. You can calculate your grade at any time using the information you will record on your *Test and Quiz Log Sheet*. The log sheet will be the first page of the *Tests and Quizzes* section of your notebook. All grades will be viewable through the Parent Portal.

Extra help

I am available most days after school at 2:30pm in Room 140. Please come with specific questions (copy of a worksheet, a study guide, a test,...). I am also available before school, 4th period or 7th period each day in the Math office (Room 133) and 1st period in Room M-5. See me if you need to make other arrangements.

Notebook

You are required to maintain a 3-ringed binder **divided into two sections** (dividers must be used to separate the sections):

1.) Test and Quiz Section

The first page will be the *Test and Quiz Log Sheet* followed by all tests and quizzes in chronological order.

2.) Notes and Handout Section

Your daily notes and all handouts should be kept in this section.

Absences

All work missed during a legitimate absence must be made up as soon as the student returns to school. You are responsible for finding out the work you missed during your absence. CHECK THE WEB SITE for assignments and copies of all handouts.

<http://www.wappingersschools.org/Domain/1328>

If you return after an absence and the class is taking a test/quiz, you will be asked to take the test/quiz along with the class (you can either take the grade you receive or re-take a makeup test/quiz at a later date).

Tests and Quizzes

Tests and quizzes will be given frequently throughout the marking period. Study guides for most quizzes will be posted on our class web page. You can expect to have a quiz every two weeks.

Contact Information

Class web site: <http://www.wappingersschools.org/Domain/1328>

Email address: Terry.Feeley@wcsdny.org

Phone Number (John Jay): 897-6700 ext. 30072

Homework

Homework will be assigned each night and will be checked the following day for completion. Homework will be randomly collected and graded. These graded assignments will count toward your quarterly grade. Late homework will not be accepted. Periodic email notifications will be sent home notifying parents of their son's/daughter's failure to complete the previous night's assignment. Lunch detention will be assigned if non-completion of homework becomes habitual.

Course Materials

Students are required to have a 3-ringed binder, a compass, a ruler along with an ample supply of graph paper. Students should also have pencils, pens (blue or black), and a scientific calculator (a graphing calculator is *not required*).

Parental Contacts

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you might have. I usually check email a few times each day.

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Quarterly Grades and Progress Reports

Student progress can be monitored via the parent portal and with the eight reports distributed by the district throughout the school year (four report cards and four progress reports). **Students will also be entering all grade on their test and quiz log sheet – parents are asked to sign or initial each entry.** Feel free to contact me for additional feedback.

Parent's Night

Thursday October 3rd at 7pm.