

# Geometry Syllabus

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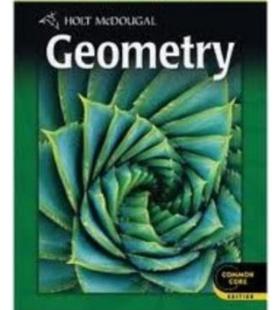
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## What should I bring to class every day?

- 3 – ring binder (only for Geometry)
- 3 dividers (Notes, Homework, Study Guides)
- Loose Leaf and Graph Paper
- Pencils, Erasers, and Grading Pens (NOT blue or black)
- TI 83 or TI 84 Plus Graphing Calculator (preferably NOT the TI-89 or TI-Inspire)
- 3 or more thin dry erase markers
- Leave your book at home! I will let you know when you will need it at school.



## What is expected of me in this class?

Each student is expected to...

1. follow all **HCHS rules and policies** in the classroom.
2. **be respectful** of their classmates and their teacher – remember... character counts!
3. **be responsible** - be on time, prepared, and reach out for help as often as needed. Check your homework answers every night online ([www.hchsmath.weebly.com](http://www.hchsmath.weebly.com))
4. **put away all electronics before entering the classroom** – Students are expected to give their full attention during all classroom activities. Cell phones/smartphones, portable gaming systems, digital music players, ear buds/headphones, and other electronic computing devices should be **turned off** and **put away** when students are in my classroom. This is your warning. **If a student has one of these devices out in class** (unless specific permission has been given by the teacher) **or if it rings in class, that student will receive a written dean's referral.**
5. **be positive and try their best in this class!** Stay positive, ask questions, and have fun!

## What should I do if I need extra help?

1. **Come to Room 101!!!** I am available almost every day from 7:20 to 7:50 am and 3:00 to 3:30pm. *Occasionally a meeting arises and I will be unavailable for help, so please let me know in advance if you are planning to come see me.* Many questions can be answered in just a few minutes, so PLEASE do not be afraid to stop by!
2. **Phone a Friend!** Talking about a problem out loud is a great way to help you figure it out!
3. **Go Online! Use Weebly** for answer keys to check your work and to help you through similar problems.
4. **Send me an email** with any questions you may have. I will email you back as soon as I can.



## What happens if I am absent? → CHECK Weebly!!! ([www.hchsmath.weebly.com](http://www.hchsmath.weebly.com))

All of our calendars, class notes, and reviews will be accessible on Weebly. It is YOUR responsibility to get all missed notes and homework from our class site. Please be responsible and communicate with me so that we can work together to create a make-up schedule that works for you. It is much easier to work ahead than to get behind in your course work. As a general rule of thumb...

- If you have a **planned absence** (i.e. a field trip, doctor's appointment, vacation, etc.), **please see me** at least one day before you leave. If you have an excused, **unplanned absence** (i.e. sickness), **please email me** that day.
- Per school rules, when you have an **unexcused absence**, you are unable to make up any assignments you have missed. This means that you will receive a zero for any assignments collected during that period.

**How will I be graded?** You will be graded according to the following scales and assignments:



My Quarter Grade	
Tests	40%
Quizzes	30%
Homework	20%
In-Class Assignments	10%

Percentage	Letter Grade
90 – 100	A
80 – 89.9	B
70 – 79.9	C
60 – 69.9	D
0 – 59.9	F

My Semester Grade	
Quarter 1	40%
Quarter 2	40%
Final Exam	20%

**Test (40%) and Quiz (30%) Policy:** (Total = 70%)

- Test/Quiz dates will be given on the calendar at the start of each chapter.** The material covered will primarily be from the most recent sections covered; however, since math is a cumulative subject, you are still responsible for any prior material discussed in class. In addition, tests/quizzes will usually have a graphing calculator allowed portion, so make sure you have on!
- Calculator Policy:** You may not share your calculator with another student on these days. If a calculator is allowed on the test, I will typically clear/reset the memory on everyone's calculator before and/or after the exam.
- Are you available to review the day or a quiz or test?** Of course! However, it is important that you do not wait until the day of a quiz/test to seek out help. Remember to be responsible and prepared and seek out help when you begin to struggle. Priority will be given to students who have seen me for help prior to an exam.
- Students who are **absent the day before a quiz or test** will be required to take the exam with the rest of the class. A student who is absent **on the day of the quiz/test** has 1 week to take a makeup upon their return without any penalty. See me right away upon your return to arrange the make-up time and place. It is **your responsibility** to schedule your make-up with me.

**Homework (20%):** You will be assigned homework every night. Each homework assignment is worth 4 points each unless otherwise noted. Homework will be assessed in one of two ways each day:

**1) Homework Completion**

You are expected to **SHOW ALL WORK**. This means that all diagrams should be drawn, all work shown in a logical manner, and corrections should be made in a colored pen using the correct answers on Weebly. Simply skipping a question or putting a question mark does not count. If any of these things are missing, you will not receive full credit.

**2) Homework Checks (for understanding):**

A homework check consists of a 2-4 questions that come directly from your homework. These assignments will be graded for accuracy instead of completion. If you have questions about the assignment, you are expected to seek out help as outlined before.

I will drop 3 or more of your lowest homework assignments, so do not stress out if you do not do well on a couple of checks or if you forget to complete your homework... this just means that you may need to take your homework assignments more seriously or you may need to seek out more help! You may find it helpful to form a homework group that meets regularly outside of class.

**In-Class Assignments (10%):** You will be assigned in class assignments to be collected for a grade. These assignments include participation, exit slips, classwork, group work, projects, presentations, etc. All work is expected to be shown on these assignments as well.

**Please sign below to acknowledge you have read & understand the rules and expectations for our class!**

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(Student Signature)

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(Parent Signature)