Pre-Calculus Honors Syllabus

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Welcome to Pre-Calculus Honors at Rolesville High School! You are encouraged to come to class every day, study regularly, complete all assignments with diligence, and always ask for help when you need it. If you do these things, I am confident you will be successful in this class. Please know I will do everything I can to help you reach your goals.



COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Pre-Calculus provides students an honors-level study of trigonometry, as well as advanced algebra topics, analytic geometry, series and sequence, data analysis, vectors, and limits in preparation for calculus. Applications and modeling are included throughout the course of study. Appropriate technology, from manipulatives to calculators and application software, is used for instruction and assessment. Students must have extensive knowledge of the graphics calculator.

More information about the topics covered in this class can be found at: https://sites.google.com/dpi.nc.gov/k-12-mathematics/resources/hs-mathematics/4th-maths

MATERIALS:

- ✓ Loose leaf notebook paper
- ✓ 3-ring binder
- ✓ Pencils
- ✓ TI-84 graphing calculator

CLASS POLICIES:

Attendance

To achieve success in math, it is important for you to *attend class regularly*. Each day's class work builds on prior learning. If a student misses just one day, they have difficulty following new assignments. When you are absent, please check the absent folder for all notes and assignments. Failure to make up work within the designated time restraints may result in a grade deduction for that assignment. An absence of one class period will not excuse a student from turning in previously assigned work on the day they return to class.

Grading

Class Breakdown		Semester Breakdown		Grading Scale
Tests/Projects	60%	Third Quarter	40%	A: 90% - 100%
Quizzes	30%	Fourth Quarter	40%	B: 80% - 89%
Homework/Classwork	10%	NCFE/Final Exam	20%	C: 70% - 79%.
				D: 60% - 69%
				F: Less than 60%

Students will take the Pre-Calculus North Carolina Final Exam (NCFE) at the completion of the course.

HOMEWORK:

Homework will be checked daily for completion and you will earn one homework grade per unit. Be sure to keep up with your homework agenda for the unit as this will inform you of all assignments and important dates. It will also serve as a record of your work to be turned in at the completion of the unit. You will receive full credit if all problems are written, numbered, attempted, and all necessary work is shown. Half of the points are taken off if only a portion of your work is completed. If you do not have your homework, no points are awarded. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to show me the assignment.

DAILY WARM-UPS:

You will be given a Warm-Up sheet that will count as a quiz grade. Warm-ups will consist of SAT/ACT questions, discussion questions, review problems, etc. After five warm-ups, I will drop the lowest grade and you will earn a quiz grade. Failure to turn in a sheet on time will result in a grade deduction.

OUIZZES:

Quizzes are to be expected every week. Quizzes may or may not be announced. If you are absent on the day of a quiz you will not be able to make it up; the missing grade will be replaced with your original unit test grade. Once per quarter, a quiz grade will be replaced with the unit test grade, if that grade is higher.

TESTS:

Tests will always be announced. If you are absent the day before a test, you must still take the test with your class. If you are absent the day of a test, you have WITHIN ONE UNIT to make up the test with no deductions. It is YOUR responsibility to schedule a time to make up your test. It is imperative that you make up your missing test before the completion of the next unit test. If you wait any longer to make up a test, then you may not have sufficient time to complete recovery, if/when necessary. Students who are not successful will be given opportunities to show mastery of the objectives and improve their test scores (this applies to *some* assessments, not all – students will know in advance when this recovery opportunity is applicable).

Tutoring

Tutoring is recommended for students with averages below 70%. Ms. McLain will be available after school on Mondays from 2:30-3:30pm. If a different day/time is desired, please speak with Ms. McLain IN ADVANCE to make arrangements. Please make sure that you have transportation if you are staying after school.

• Teacher Website and TalkingPoints

Class website will be updated throughout the semester to help students be successful. TalkingPoints will be used for notices about homework, quizzes, upcoming tests/assignments or classroom announcements.

• Progress Reports

The scheduled dates (mandated by the county) are between the following dates:

- 3rd Quarter Reports will be given out between 3/2/2020 3/6/2020
- 4th Quarter Reports will be given out between 5/11/2020 5/15/2020

• Calculator Use

The RHS Math Department recommends that each student obtain a TI-84 graphing calculator for personal use. Because we value academic rigor and excellence, there will be calculators <u>available for use during class time only</u>. We strongly encourage you to have your own calculator for homework and preparation for upcoming assessments. Any student wishing to use a classroom calculator must sign and return the RHS Calculator Contract and will be responsible for that calculator during class time. Use of a calculator can be revoked if it is being misused or damaged.

Rolesville High School Student Handbook Policies

Please refer to the Rolesville High School student handbook to reference other school-wide policies not included in this syllabus. These policies are also expected to be upheld in the classroom at all times.

CLASS EXPECTATIONS:



Respect All

Allow everyone to have a say. Be aware of others' thoughts, feelings, and personal space.
Allow others the opportunity to learn.
Use appropriate language.



Accept Responsibility

Follow all directions.

Come to class on time and prepared to learn.

Turn in assignments on time.

Take ownership of your own learning. Show all work on assignments.



Make Good Decisions

Plan ahead.
Communicate openly with teachers.
Advocate for yourself.
Follow teacher expectations for classroom movement and participation.



Safety Comes First

Notify the teacher when classroom safety is compromised. Keep your hands and feet to yourself. Refrain from horseplay. Keep pathways clear of clutter.

Pre-Calculus Honors Class Contract

Please Read and Sign the following:

To be completed by student:

I have read the course syllabus and I agree to comply to the class rules and course expectations as outlined above. I understand what is expected for a successful semester and will do my best to succeed in Pre-Calculus Honors by completing assigned work and seeking help from Ms. McLain. I will take responsibility for my own learning or accept the natural consequences.

Student Signature:	
Print Name:	Date:
To be completed by parent/guardian:	
	n to my student. I understand what is expected for my student and in Pre-Calculus Honors. I acknowledge the class policies and in compliance at all times.
Parent/Guardian Signature:	
Print Name:	Date:
Preferred Method of Contact: Phone E-mail	Phone Number E-mail Address
	believe would help me effectively teach your child (i.e. medical d academic strengths/weaknesses). If you have any questions, working with you this semester!

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