



Mr. Asare's Syllabus (Geometry / Algebra II)

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Planning Period:	2 nd Period
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After School Office Hours:	2:15- 2:30 pm
Building Room Location:	225

Core belief:

Every student has math strengths. "Just because something is difficult doesn't mean you shouldn't try. It means you should try harder"

Course Expectations:

- All students will be able to use the knowledge and skills obtained in the classroom and apply them in the classroom and the community.
- Grades awarded in this class are to be earned. **NO FREE LUNCH IN MR. ASARE'S CLASS!**

Class Supplies Needed:

Spiral notebook for each student
Pens / Pencils

Other Resources Needed:

CLASSROOM RULES AND GUIDELINES: (NOTE THAT THIS LIST IS NOT EXHAUSTIVE)

1. BE PROMPT, BE PRESENT AND BE PREPARED. (I.E., ARRIVE ON TIME, MAINTAIN ENGAGEMENT, HAVE ALL NECESSARY MATERIALS AT THE START OF CLASS)
2. PHONE USAGE IS NOT ALLOWED IN THIS CLASS. ALL PHONES ARE TO BE STOWED AWAY ONCE YOU ENTER THE CLASS. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS.

3. **RESPECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS AND LEAVE BAD HABITS AT THE DOOR. (I.E., CURSING, “CHECKING/ROASTING” ETC.)**
4. **MAXIMIZE LEARNING BY MINIMIZING DISTRACTIONS. (I.E., EXCESSIVE TALKING, TIME SPENT IN THE HALLS, WORKING ON OTHER SUBJECTS, USING UNNECESSARY DEVICES, APPS, ETC.**

Attendance Policy:

- Most of the assignments will be completed in class, (i.e., Do Nows/bell work, classwork, tests, quizzes, presentations/projects, etc.). **It is highly recommended that you be present each day!** If absent, a student/parent must submit proper documentation to the main office, otherwise the absence will be automatically considered unexcused.
- **It is just as important that you be on time each day!** To ensure this, make sure you are on time and seated in classes by the time the tardy bell sounds.

Grade Scale/Weights :

100	-	90	= A
89	-	80	=B
79	-	70	=C
69	-	60	= D
59	-	below	= F

- Homework - 10% (min of 4 grades)
- Class Participation - 5% (min of 4 grades)
- Classwork - 35% (min of 4 grades)
- Portfolio/Project/Presentation - 10% (min of 1 grade)
- Assessments - 40% (min of 4 grades)

****Semester grades are determined by counting the two quarter grades as 85% and the semester examination as 15%.***

Missing/Make Up Work Policy:

- **The highest grade a student earns for making up work missed for an unexcused absence is 69 (D).**
- For excused absences, students are expected to make-up work missed within a reasonable time (at most one day of make up for each day missed). (Ex., If a student misses Thursday and Friday of a week and returns to school on Monday, the student has Tuesday and Wednesday to complete the assignments, and work is due on Thursday)
- For unexcused absences, one day of make-up shall be allowed for all consecutive days of absence (unless otherwise extended by the school or extended based on law or policy), **beginning the day after the student’s return to class** Students and parents should work with teachers for assistance in completing make-up work
- Assessments will be made up under the supervision of the classroom teacher or designee
- Teachers must provide the make-up work and determine the grade during the same nine weeks the work was assigned
- It is the responsibility of the student and parent to retrieve the provided make-up work and to complete it in the allotted time

Digital Citizenship Rules:

- Dedicate appropriate time to learning, using the time on task recommendations or as guided by your teacher(s)
- Check Microsoft Teams, Teachers websites, PowerSchool, APAA, Clever, and other online platforms shared by your school or teacher for information on classes, assignments, and resources daily
- Ensure personal access to username(s) and password(s) for instructional resources
- Submit all assignments by due dates established by your teacher(s)

Dress code:

- Pants must be worn at the waist, be appropriately sized, and of a safe length. - Shirts, blouses, and dresses must have sleeves and must completely cover the abdomen, back, shoulders. Shirts or tops must cover the waistband of pants, shorts, or skirts with no midriff visible. Low-cut blouses, shirts, or tops or extremely tight tops, tube tops, or any top that exposes cleavage are prohibited. Shirts, blouses, and tops must be no longer than wrist-length. –
- Head apparel (such as hoods, hats, etc.) must not be worn inside the school building, except for religious or medical reasons
- Footwear is required and must be safe and appropriate for indoor and outdoor physical activity.
- Skirts, dresses, and shorts must be no shorter than

Code of Conduct:

- Students are expected to wear appropriate dress that is not a distraction to the learning process. Inappropriate dress (and other materials) includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - Clothing with profanity
 - Derogatory terms
 - Racial slurs
 - Sexual content
 - Transparent or overly revealing clothing
- Students should refrain from engaging in any of the behaviors identified in MSCS Policy 6022. Disruptive behaviors will be addressed using progressive discipline standards.
- Students are to remain positively engaged in instruction and participate
- **Students are expected to remain in their seats at all times unless instructed otherwise.**
- **Students are strongly urged to use their inner voice, and not yell or shout, when in the classroom.**

four (4) inches above the knee. - Waist-length and appropriately sized sweaters, sweatshirts, and lightweight jackets can be worn inside school for warmth.

- Prohibited items include: (1) large, long and/or heavy chains; (2) studded or chained accessories; (3) sunglasses, except for health purposes; (4) sleepwear, pajamas, and/or blankets; (5) skin-tight outer materials such as spandex; (6) facial jewelry (including tongue piercing).

****The school administration reserves the right to determine whether the student's attire is within the limits of decency, modesty, and safety.***

Assignment Description:

- Class Participation – These assignments will be assigned at the teacher's discretion and unless stated otherwise, these assignments will be due before the end of the class period -- 5%
- Classwork -- These assignments will also be assigned at the teacher's discretion and unless stated otherwise, these assignments will be due before the end of the class period. -- 35%
- Homework – These assignments also will be assigned at the teacher's discretion and will have an assigned due date. -- 10%
- Presentations/Projects -- Students will be required to complete presentations/projects throughout the year. Each will be introduced with detailed directions and rubric prior to the due date. -- 10%
- Assessments (i.e., tests, quizzes, etc.) All assessments *are* scheduled and will be given periodically. -- 40%

OHS STUDENT PARENT AGREEMENT: Please read the following paragraph, and return signed by the designated due date.

I have read, discussed, and understood both the syllabus and the classroom procedures for this course. I understand the opportunity I have available to contact the teacher for clarifications regarding these policies at any time. I also understand that it is my duty to fulfil these requirements set forth by the teacher in order to ensure a successful year. In the end, I believe that the student's educational success depends on a three-way partnership of support and guidance involving the student, teacher, and parent.

STUDENT NAME (print/type): _____

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ **Date:** _____