

Class Policies - Archaeology

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Date:
Block #:

You are a scientist. (Yes, Archeology is a science.) I enjoy learning with fellow scientists. I assume that each student entering this room wants to be a scientist, and I will help that person be a better scientist. A scientist respects all that the world is. A respectful person will not often encounter the limitations of rules. You are expected to know the general policies of Mt. Anthony High School as well as the specific policies of this classroom. Most of all, accept nothing less than dignity and respect for everyone.

Come to class on-time and prepared to do well.

Bring: Pen (black ink)
Pencil (#2 black lead) with eraser
3-ring binder (notebook) 2" size recommended
Supply of lined 8.5 x 11" loose-leaf paper
Current assignments
Other supplies that aid learning

Written work and assignments are expected be:

Neat - clean paper, heading (Name, date, class and block), margins, and black ink
Legible - Standard Written English, printed or typed if handwriting is not readily legible
Complete - all questions and parts of the assignment attempted if not completed
Thoughtful - evidence of listening, reading, and thinking about the topic
On-time - Late work loses points. Work not done within a week may earn a zero.

Reading and Homework assignments:

Students are expected to read and take notes from the assigned material and class discussion. Students need a quiet place to spend at least 20 minutes **per class day** reading, reviewing notes, and doing written assignments.

Make up work: (All work is required. Unexcused late work does not earn full credit.)

Students are responsible for completing **all** assignments. One week is given for work missed due to an excused absence. Extra help is available on Thursdays from 2:10 to 2:45 pm and most other days from 2:10 to 2:30 pm. **All assigned work is required**, so don't try to make excuses, negotiate reductions or bargain for extensions, just do the work ASAP. *Provide a written note attached to your completed assignment if you want me to consider not taking off points for being late.*

Class work not finished in class is usually due the next day.

Binders/notebook:

Each student is expected to keep a well-organized binder/notebook. The binder/notebook is graded for completeness and organization. **All items** including handouts, homework, quizzes, tests, class notes and reading notes **are to be dated and kept in chronological order**. Well done outline notes from reading, lecture, and class discussions are expected from all students.

Lab and Class Activities:

There are two components to lab and class activities. 50% of the grade is participation in the activity and 50% of the grade is based on the write-up or lab report. Once the written portion is complete the lab or activity grade is between 50% and 100% depending on the quality of the written work. Only by deliberately refusing to do work would a lab grade be below 75%.

Tardiness:

Students are expected to be seated ready to begin before the bell rings. Unexcused tardiness has consequences including: loss of points on class participation grade, teacher after school detention, loss of credit for missed in-class assignments, and missed opportunity to learn the material. Students with excessive tardiness will be referred to the office. (Please review handbook.)

Grading:

Each assignment is given a point value. Points accumulate over the course of the semester. Your percent grade is the number of points earned divided by the points possible. Point values range from five points for a short homework assignment to 200 points for a major project. Approximate breakdown of graded work is as follows.

- 45% Class activities and written work, including a well-organized binder/notebook
- 20% Two major projects
- 20% Quizzes, worksheets, essays, and small projects
- 15% Class participation (including behavior, tardiness, and preparedness)

Behavior:

A student is expected to behave respectfully and responsibly at all times. At no time is ridiculing, humiliating, or intimidating behavior acceptable, in either verbal or physical form.

It is especially important in a science lab or field setting to respond quickly and thoughtfully to directions. Everyone must be careful in all class situations. **Carelessness is not an option; throwing any object, pushing, shoving, or inattention to directions is not acceptable.** Even water, when spilled, can be dangerous. Talk to each other in ways that encourages communication. Rude or inappropriate language will result in points taken from the participation grade. If necessary, teacher detention is served on the afternoon of the next school day or at my discretion.

Please ***no food or drink during class time.*** Put away walkmans, headphones, cell phones, Ipods, hats, and all non-academic materials.

I have read the above class policies and will treat others with respect and dignity. I will be careful with all materials and help maintain a clean and organized classroom.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have received a copy of the Class Policies.

Parent/guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Help sessions are Thursdays from 2:10 to 2:45 pm. (most other days from 2:10 to 2:30 by request)
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