

## MTSS Study Hall Syllabus

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Classroom: 208H

English Office: 205H

Prep Blocks: Block 4 on A & B Days

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### Class Summary:

This class will help you succeed in school. We will work to identify obstacles in your learning and practice strategies to overcome them. We will improve your organizational skills and help you become an advocate for yourself.

You *will* have time to work on your homework in this class. However, some of your time in this class will be utilized to help you track grades and missing homework, identify opportunities for help, set goals and practice important skills that will lead you to success.

### Class Expectations for Attendance and Participation:

You can earn 5 points for each day you attend you MTSS Study Hall onsite. You receive 1 point for your attendance and 4 points for participation. This is worth a total of 10-15 points each week (depending on if you have class two or three times that week).

- **Attendance:** Students will receive credit for each day that they are in class. Attendance is worth **1 point**. Here is the breakdown in points:
  - **1 point earned-** You came to class and/or your absence was excused.
  - **0 points earned-** Student was not in class and/or their absence was unexcused.
- **Participation** – Each day students will be graded on their level of participation and work ethic during class. Participation is worth **4 points** and is weighted at 50% of your grade. You earn points for the following:
  - Arriving on time (worth 1 point)
  - Bringing all necessary materials and tools for your work with you (worth 1 point)
  - Staying on task (worth 2 points)
  - *Distracting other students, using your phone without permission and/ or sleeping can result in an automatic zero participation points.*
  - **What if I have no homework?**
    - Read! All studies show that one of the best ways to increase your performance in school is to read.
    - Online TransMath, Educational Quizlet Games, or other educational games.

### Class Expectations for Weekly Check-In:

This is worth a total of 10 points each week. Students will meet with their MTSS teacher once a week to discuss their current status and identify potential areas to improve. You will be required to access PowerSchool for the most updated grades and missing work.

Students will receive **10** points for a complete and accurate check-in that is submitted to the teacher at the appointed time. Students will receive a **0** for anything less than this.

Occasionally, this check-in will take the form of a weekly success skills lesson.

### **Class Expectations for Communication:**

Sending weekly emails is worth a total of **5 points each week**. Students will take a snapshot of their grades from PowerSchool (to include grades and any missing or incomplete items) and **email them to a parent/guardian or other important adult**, your administrator, your counselor, and study hall teacher (i.e. me). You will also **email teachers** for help, clarification on assignments, or needed materials to complete missing work. (cc your study hall teacher, counselor and administrator to earn points). You will identify something you are proud of from that school week and/or a goal you have for the following school week.

### **Grade Breakdown:**

If you score less than an 80%, you will receive an Unsatisfactory as your semester grade.

If you score between an 80% - 100%, you will receive a Satisfactory as your semester grade.

### **Organization:**

MTSS teachers will verify that the student has a system for organization and this system is working for them to succeed in school. If they do not have a working system, the teacher and student will collaborate on developing a system that works for the student. There are organizational materials available for MTSS students.

### **Use of Electronic Devices:**

Cell phones are **NOT** to be used during this class. Check with your teacher to determine if/when you are allowed to listen to music.

### **What I Expect from YOU Every Day:**

- Show up to class ready to work hard
- Have a respectful, positive attitude

### **You Can Expect from ME:**

- Respect for you each and every day
- Be willing and able to help you each day with your work or connecting you with someone who can
- Regular communication with your parents on your progress in school and providing feedback

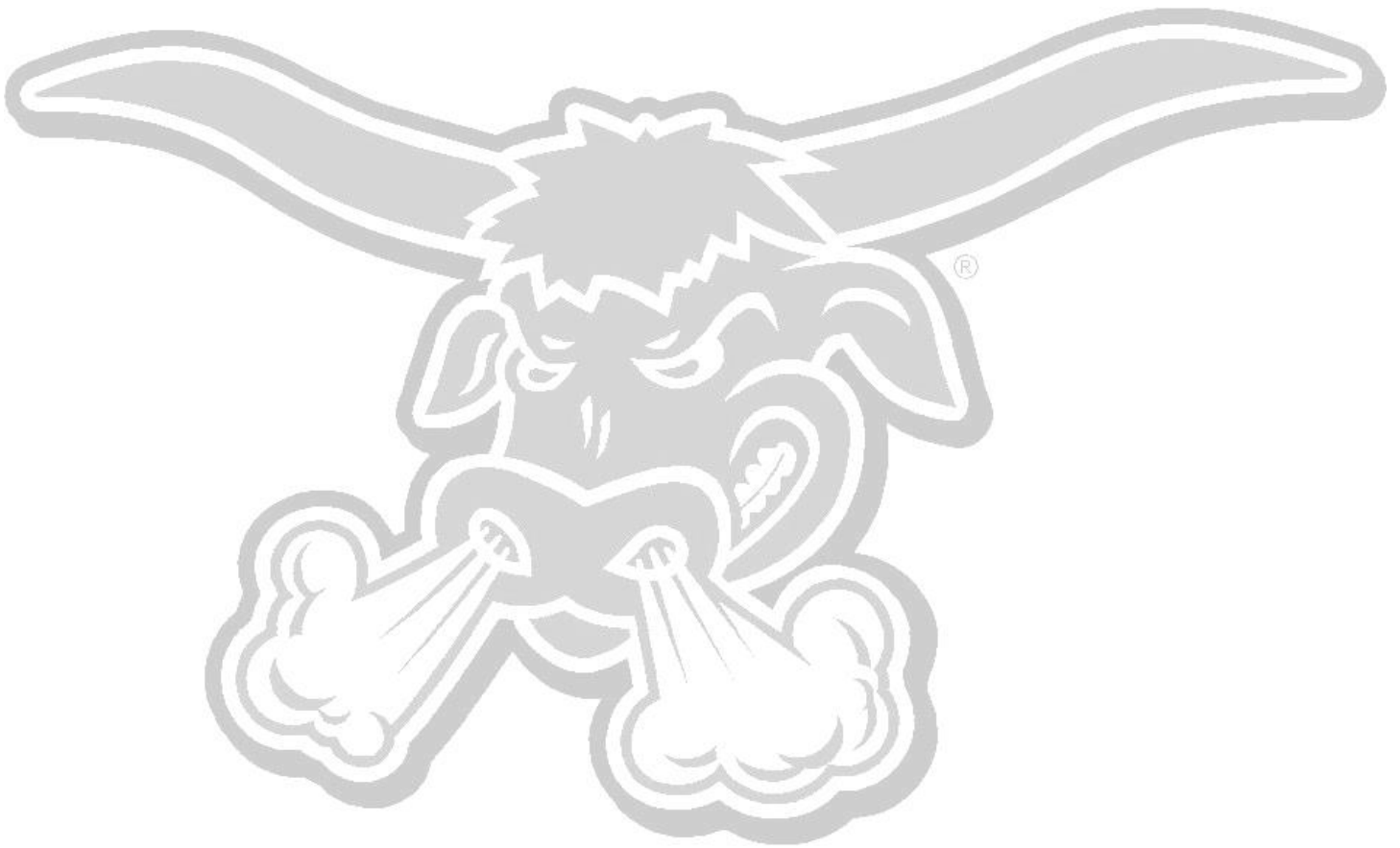
### **Course Communication**

- Emails will only be answered during standard school hours. On Mondays—Fridays, I will be available from 8:00 a.m.-3:50 p.m. Emails received over the weekend and/or holidays will not be responded to until the work week resumes.
- Email is the preferred and easiest mode of communication when you need help or clarification.
  - Email: bhill@west-fargo.k12.nd.us
- It is the expectation that you are checking Schoology daily for all course updates.

### **Materials:**

- **Daily:**
  - WFPS issued iPad (and charging accessories)

- WFPS issued Logitech crayon
- Books
- Writing utensils/organizational materials/planner



# PACKER PROCESS



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## PREPARE FOR LEARNING

Be seated when the bell rings. Review the day's agenda slide to start that day's first task and have the necessary materials ready.

A

## ASK FOR HELP

Schoology will have all the information you need including lesson plans, assignments, and due dates. Email is the preferred method of communication ([bhill@west-fargo.k12.nd.us](mailto:bhill@west-fargo.k12.nd.us)) or sign up for my WIN session!

C

## COLLABORATE WITH OTHERS

In this class you are expected to **listen**, **speak**, and **act** with **integrity** and **empathy**. You are expected to honor all individuals in this classroom. Every voice matters and deserves to be treated with respect.

K

## KEEP TRACK OF ASSIGNMENTS & DEADLINES

Schoology will have all the information you need including lesson plans, assignments, and due dates. If you are receiving a physical/paper copy of the assignment, this will still be indicated on Schoology.

E

## ENTER AND EXIT THE CLASSROOM APPROPRIATELY

Be seated when the bell rings. Review the day's agenda slide to start that day's first task and have the necessary materials ready. We do not line up at the door before the end of the block. E-hall pass is required to leave the classroom. Any unexcused tardies over 20 minutes count as a UV.

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## RESPECT SCHOOL & CLASSROOM RULES

Review the daily agenda slide, return any classroom supplies to their appropriate places, check your space before leaving and throw away any garbage. The classroom is a no cell phone zone.

S

## SUBMIT WORK

Most assignments will be submitted via Schoology dropboxes. If it is a physical/paper assignment, you will turn it in at the start of class at the front of the room. If you are submitting an assignment late, you **MUST** email me **AND** your guardian before I will grade it. Please see the syllabus for this detailed policy.

# PACKER PRIDE

## “Be a Member of the Pack”

EXPECTATION	CLASSROOM
<b><u>Compassion</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I follow rules and procedures.</li><li>• I make a positive impact on my school.</li><li>• I show kindness to others.</li></ul>
<b><u>Collaboration</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I am respectful in words and actions.</li><li>• I accept and give feedback.</li><li>• I know when it is appropriate to listen and to speak.</li><li>• I can ask relevant questions.</li></ul>
<b><u>Responsibility</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• I complete my work on time.</li><li>• I am organized.</li><li>• I am engaged in my learning.</li><li>• I can pick up after myself.</li><li>• I am ready to work.</li><li>• I keep trying, even when it is hard.</li></ul>

### **West Fargo High School Cell Phone Policy**

West Fargo Public Schools holds high expectations for student behavior, academic integrity, and responsible use of existing and emerging technology, such as cell phones, iPods, iPads, laptops, and other personal electronic devices capable of transmitting data or images. Students who possess and/or use such devices at school or school-sponsored events shall demonstrate the greatest respect for the educational environment. Standards for responsible use at school, on busses, or at school activities:

- Students shall not use any electronic device that in any way disrupts or detracts from the educational environment. Electronic devices are inclusive of cell phones, smart watches, earbuds, and school-issued devices.
- Cell phones must be out-of-sight and out-of-use from the first bell to the last bell of all classes, including during study halls and within flexed learning spaces that are an extension of a classroom.
- Cell phones may be used appropriately and respectfully in common spaces during non-instructional times, including passing time, the student lunch period, and before and after school.
- It is the student's responsibility to secure their electronic devices to show care for their technology devices and personal information. The school is not responsible for lost or stolen items or individual service plan charges related to use of electronic devices.
- Students are expected to respect the network and adhere to the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) when using school-issued and personal electronic devices. Students will be expected to access the district's Wi-Fi network via their iPad during designated school activities unless connections are unavailable. Wi-Fi is not available for students' personal electronic devices.
- Photographing or recording of another person should be used for educational purposes as defined by the teacher. Any use of an electronic device for other than educational purposes will result in a consequence. Messages and photos on an electronic device are subject to viewing by administration given reasonable suspicion of a crime or school infraction.
- The USE of cellular phones or other personal electronic devices is strictly prohibited in locker rooms and restrooms.

### **West Fargo High School Cell Phone Procedure**

- The first time a phone is delivered to the Main Office due to an infraction of this policy, it will be returned to the student at the end of their instructional day.
- The second time a phone is delivered to the Main Office due to an infraction of this policy, the student must check the phone into the Main Office before the instructional day begins for the next five school days. Even if the student claims to be leaving the phone at home, they must report to the Main Office at the start of each day to check in with their administrator. The student can pick up the device at the end of their instructional day.
- The third time a phone is delivered to the Main Office due to an infraction of this policy, a family meeting will be scheduled by the student's administrator. Until the time of the family meeting, the student must check the phone into the Main Office before the instructional day begins. Even if the student claims to be leaving the phone at home, they must report to the Main Office at the start of each day to check in with their administrator. The student can pick up the device at the end of their instructional day. At the family meeting, further ramifications will be determined.
- Additional violations will be addressed by the discretion of the administrative team.

### **West Fargo High School Food and Drink Policy**

- No food in hallways
- This includes all lunches (purchased from school, brought from home, fast food, take-out, etc.)
- Food in classrooms must be provided by teacher(s)
- All drinks must be in a container with non-spill lid
- Food or drinks NOT in a non-spill lid will be directed to be thrown away

### **West Fargo High School Attendance Policy**

Visit this link [WFPS Attendance Policy](#) for a detailed policy.

- **Absences**

- Automatic alerts at the end of the period for each UV to families
- Automatic alerts sent at 5 and 7 absences
- Family contact by admin when nearing 10 absences to discuss contract
- Will involve teachers if the student is passing most classes
- Take daily, accurate attendance
- Administrator is following up with call down list daily

- **Tardies**

- Tardy is defined by the teachers in the classroom. In Ms. Hill's classroom, you must be in the classroom and ready to learn when the bell rings at the start of the period.
- **Every fifth tardy is recorded as a UV in PowerSchool.**
- **After 20 minutes have passed since the start of class, the student will be marked UV in PowerSchool.**

- For a copy of WFHS's CCR document, click [HERE](#)

- For a copy of WFHS's Behavior Matrix, click [HERE](#)

