



Achieving Success in High School Courses in Middle School

Advanced Geometry, Algebra I,
And World Language

High School Credit Courses

- o Even though offered in middle school these courses are **high school credit courses**, rigor and pacing is in line with high school
- o Begins to build GPA for college applications
- o Class meets every other day.
- o Communicate. Let someone know they need help.
- o Students will need to study vocabulary to be successful. Math and Foreign Language both have vocabulary.

Algebra I & Adv. Geometry

- o Expectations are that students are responsible for all assignments and complete them independently. You begin this when notes are complete-usually 30 minutes to work on IW. **Work must be shown on separate paper for credit.**
- o Will be started in class but may need to be completed outside of our class block. Is due before 8am the day of the next class or it is late and penalties apply (50%). **Assignments will not be accepted after the test.**
- o Check Aspen weekly for progress. ASPEN is the gradebook, CANVAS just shows the assignment grade and feedback.
- o Check Canvas calendar for assignments and completion.

Spanish & French

- o Expectations are that students are responsible for all assignments and complete them **independently**. You will work and ask questions during class.
- o If late, 10% per day will be deducted from "Language Practice" assignments, up to 50%.
- o Check Aspen weekly for progress. ASPEN is the gradebook, CANVAS just shows the assignment grade and feedback.
- o Assignments will be started in class but might need to be completed at home. Check CANVAS or ASPEN for due dates.

Grading- Advanced Geometry & Algebra I

- o Tests 40%
 - o Quizzes 25%
 - o Independent work 25%
 - o Quarterly Assessment 10%
- o Quarter Assessment is given sometime within the quarter. There is no separate midterm or final exam.

Grading- French/Spanish I & II

- o Tests and Projects 50%
 - o Quizzes 30%
 - o Language Practice 10%
 - o Quarterly Assessment 10%
 - o Blended Learning Assignments
- o Quarter Assessment is given sometime within the quarter. There is no separate midterm or final exam.

Online World Language German & Latin

- o You will need to contact the teacher for specifics about the course and grading
- o Reach out to Guidance if you need help navigating the course
- o German is taught through York Virtual High School while Latin is taught through Virtual Virginia.

Algebra I & Advanced Geometry

How can I be successful?

- o Use CANVAS for notes key and videos.
- o Check ASPEN for grade updates.
- o CANVAS calendar for assignments. A line goes through the assignment when completed.
- o ALL WORK MUST BE SHOWN FOR CREDIT! I will let you know when work is not needed. CANVAS IS JUST PART OF THE GRADE.
- o Absent? Check CANVAS for assignment(s). ASPEN will have an "M" for missing.
- o Missed quizzes and tests need to be made up in a timely manner. Ask teacher for options.
- o Daily study habits
- o Approximately 3-4 quiz grades per quarter & 3 test grades per quarter

Spanish & French

How can I be successful?

- o CANVAS houses assignments, and resources
- o Check ASPEN for grade updates.
- o Check CANVAS or ASPEN calendar for assignments.
- o Absent? Check CANVAS for assignment(s).
- o ASPEN will have an "M" for missing work or "ABS" if the student was absent on the day of the assignment. Both calculate as 0.
- o Missed quizzes and tests need to be made up in a timely manner. Ask teacher for options.
- o **Study and practice vocabulary and grammar daily.**
- o Test grades are primarily performance-based (listening, reading, speaking, writing)
- o Approximately 3-5 quiz grades per quarter & 3-4 test/projects grades per quarter.

Blended Learning

- o All middle school students enrolled in high school credit-bearing courses are required to complete **4 hours of online learning per semester** per yearlong course for a **total of 8 hours**. This is to supplement their traditional in person course instruction **to meet state required seat hours**. These additional eight hours per course are completed beyond the regularly scheduled school day.

Recommendation

- o Expectation for students in Advanced Geometry, & Algebra I is that students will maintain an A or B for the year in order to advance to the next advanced course
- o Expectation for students in French & Spanish is to maintain an 80% or higher on assessments to advance to the next course.

QUESTIONS????

Thank you for joining us this evening.

Please call or email your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.