Freshman Seminar

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Course Description

Welcome to Freshman Seminar! In this semester-long elective, you'll have the opportunity to enhance your study and executive functioning skills and have more support when completing homework from other classes. We will work on the transition from middle school to high school by engaging in activities geared to acclimating you to the high school environment. The goal is to provide a safe environment where freshmen can get help when needed, learn the ins and outs of Sault Area High School, and experience the most successful ninth grade year possible.

Course Grading



Grading Scale			
A	100 - 93%	C	76 - 73%
A-	92 - 90%	C-	72 - 70%
B+	89 - 87%	D+	69 - 67%
B	86 - 83%	D	66 - 63%
B-	82-80%	D-	62 - 60%
C+	79 - 77%	E	59 % and below

How Grading Works



Overall: Grades are based on participation, assignments, and projects. Points will be earned for each activity. At the end of the quarter, accumulated points will be divided by the total possible points. The percentage will be the letter grade earned.

Late/Missing Work: Late assignments will be accepted ONLY until that assignment is graded and returned to classmates. In addition, the late assignment grade will be reduced by 10%.

Absences: Students are responsible to gather and complete any work missed during their absence. Any digital materials will be posted on Google Classroom. Students will be given one full school day, for each day absent, to make up any work.

Conduct & Discipline Policy

Students are expected to behave in class and online in a polite, respectful manner that does not violate the rights of others. In addition to being respectful of others, students should be on time, on task, and prepared to learn every day. Take responsibility for your own learning and have a positive attitude. Always do your best and encourage those around you to do the same! The following are some possible consequences for inappropriate behavior:

- Conference with teacher, student, and/or parent/guardian.
- Loss of privileges
- Referral to school personnel (administrator, counselor, nurse)



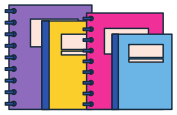
Classroom Procedures & Expectations

Entering Class

- Upon entering, look at the board and follow the instructions.
- Be in your seat working on the given task when the bell rings.

Class Materials

- Charged Chromebook, wired headphones, and pencil.
- Work from other classes and/or materials to keep busy when you have no missing work.



Food / Drink / Gum



- Snacking and drinking in class is permitted.
  - You must clean up after yourself.
  - You must bring items to class - you will not be allowed to leave class to get drinks/snacks.
  - If eating or drinking in class becomes a distraction or cleanliness issue, all privileges will end for class period. End of discussion.

Leaving Class

- I will dismiss you from class, not the bell.
- Put away any materials used during class.
- Do not gather by the door.
  - If you must stand, stand by your desk.
  - Pick up any trash near your desk and throw it out on your way out of class.

Chromebooks

- Chromebooks will be used for classwork ONLY.
- Use headphones whenever sound will be played.
  - Headphones must be wired.
  - If you don't want to share headphones, bring your own to class.

Hall Pass

- Use the restroom between classes.
- No passes the first and last 10 minutes of class.
- One person will be allowed out of the room at a time.
- Use Smartpass sign out / sign in any time you leave the room.



Every procedure has a purpose: to help us learn better!