

MTSS Study Hall Syllabus

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Classroom: 105C

Prep Blocks: Block 3 on A 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: gklein@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

Thank you for joining this study hall. Let's have a great year!

-Mr. Klein

