San Angelo Central High School Medical Terminology/ Science of Nursing

Ms Bush – Sousa campus - 135

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About your teacher

Hi, everyone! I'm **Ms. Bush**, and I'm so excited to be your teacher for **Medical Terminology and Science of Nursing**! I'm a **Registered Nurse**, and after working in healthcare, I decided to bring my love for nursing into the classroom and share it with the next generation of healthcare professionals.

In this class, you can expect more than just notes and tests! We'll have **hands-on activities, real-life nursing scenarios, skills practice, games, and plenty of opportunities to learn by doing**. My goal is to make healthcare fun, interesting, and something you can actually see yourself doing in the future.

Whether you already know you want to become a nurse, you're interested in another healthcare career, or you're still figuring it out, **you belong here!** I'm here to help you learn, ask questions, make mistakes, build confidence, and discover what you're capable of.

I can't wait to learn, laugh, and grow with you this year! 🩺🖤

Tutorials

Tutorials are by appointment. Times below may not be available due to the clinical schedule. Please speak with me and we will figure it out.

Monday: 4:00pm - 4:30pm

Tuesday: 7:30am - 8:00am

Wednesday: 4:00pm - 4:30pm

Sousa campus in my classroom: Room 135

Course Description

Medical Terminology: introduces the structure of medical terms, including prefixes, suffixes, word roots, singular and plural forms, and medical abbreviations. The course allows students to achieve comprehension, spelling and pronunciation of medical vocabulary appropriate to medical procedures, human anatomy and physiology, and pathophysiology.

Science of Nursing: introduces the students to basic research-based concepts in nursing. The course allows students to achieve knowledge of emergency care, patient assessment, basic interpretation of vital signs, identification of patients with physical and mental disabilities, patient positioning, use of assistive devices and application of nursing theories in patient care plans.

The course will provide exposure to real-world problems in healthcare and students will gain foundational skills for our CNA program and other medical field specialties that they desire to obtain.

Computer Usage

Misuse of school computers can result in DAEP placement. Please see Student Code of Conduct and Student Handbook for further details.

Grades

60% Major; 3 or more per nine weeks

40% Minor; 10 or more per nine weeks

See District Grading Policy San Angelo ISD Grading Guidelines

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kx3qaahF42KqgAFychPmH1cmTm5hDj4UVwtnKmuQlXs/preview?tab=t.0

Absences, Makeup Work

Absences, Makeup Work SAISD Grading Guidelines states: Students are allowed the number of days absent plus one in order to complete make-up work. You will need to check with me and on Schoology for all assignments and lessons that you need to make up. There is a make-up work box in the classroom. It is important that you understand the assignment and its requirements. Make sure to ask questions when needed. Being absent is not an excuse for not knowing. Schoology is your best resource in this class. Remember, you can log into Schoology anytime from anywhere that has internet access. Being granted an extension only counts if you were absent on

the day the assignment was given, or if you spoke to me before the due date. Not any time between or afterwards.

Late Work

SAISD Grading Guidelines states: Late work will be -10 points off for each day that it is late! After the 3rd day, work can no longer be accepted and will be recorded as a zero.

Examinations/Quizzes

Students must take ALL Exams in person on a school issued device or on paper. NO EXCEPTIONS. If you forget your device during scheduled testing time, you will have to come in during tutorials to make up, 10 pts will be deducted, and an additional 10 pts for each day the test is not made up, after 3 days you will receive a zero. There are NO test retakes.

Absences the day before the test will not exempt the student from taking the test on the regularly scheduled test date.

A student who will miss class for a school sponsored event must turn in all work prior to the event/absence.

A student who misses a test due to an absence has no more than 3 class days to take the test, and the make-up must occur during tutorials.

Final Exams

This class is eligible for final exam exemptions in both fall and spring exams. The CHS exemption policy states: Students must maintain an 80 average for the semester and have no more than 3 absences in the respective class to be exempt. Tardies will impact exemptions. Three unexcused tardies from a class will result in an absence in that class.

Tardies

Don't be tardy. Please be in your seat when the bell rings. Three tardies result in an office referral. Students showing up tardy can disrupt class time. Excessive tardies will affect your Final Exam exemptions.

Attendance

Attendance is important. You cannot learn if you do not attend. Attendance will also affect your final exam exemptions.

Schoology

Schoology is a daily part of our class routine. This is a great way to know what is expected and due each day. It is your responsibility to log in every day and assess what needs to be done. As you know, Schoology can be accessed anywhere via the internet, which means if you are out, you can log in and see what was assigned that day or get caught up on any missing/late assignments.

Student login: id@students.saisd.org SAISD Schoology site: schoology.saisd.org

Textbooks/Supplies

Medical Terminology for Health Professionals is the textbook we will be using for this course. This textbook is available in Schoology.

Pens/pencils

3 subject notebook with paper or a 3 ring binder with paper

Composition notebook

Charged school issued device (Chromebook)

Expectations

1. Try! I expect you to try.

2. Pick up after yourself. Food and drink is allowed in my classroom, but this is a privilege and if you cannot pick up after yourself then this privilege will be taken away.

3. Treat others and equipment with respect.

4. Be kind.

5. Be respectful

6. Chromebooks must be charged and ready to use

Consequences

1. A warning will be given.
2. Teacher Detention and/or Parent Contact.
3. For repeated offenses or deliberate misconduct, a referral.

Cell Phone

Texas House Bill 1481, passed during the 89th Legislative Session, requires all school systems to adopt and implement a policy prohibiting the use of personal communication devices. This includes the use of cell phones, smartwatches, wireless/Bluetooth earbuds and headphones, paging devices, tablets, or gaming devices while on campus during the school day. Meaning the above listed will not be allowed to be visible during the school day. Phones and other devices will need to stay in your backpack/bag throughout the entirety of the class time. Failure to do so will result in me taking these items up. Like it or not, cell phones and other personal communication devices are a distraction and make us less likely to pay attention and retain information. See Link below for Texas House Bill 1481.
https://tea.texas.gov/about-tea/news-and-multimedia/correspondence/taa-letters/implementation-of-texas-house-bill-1481-student-use-of-personal-communication-devices-on-school-property#:~:text=Texas%20House%20Bill%201481%2C%20passed,property%20during%20the%20school%20day.

For questions regarding the above policy please read SAISD procedure and consequences

Parents/Guardians

Everything we cover in class is available to you. Calendars with projects and due dates are located in class and or on Schoology.

Use Your Resources

If I'm the only answer, then I'm the answer!! I want to help you learn how to FIND the answer. You will always have instructions in multiple forms; written, verbal, and via video. Most likely the answer is right in front of you. Verbal instructions are only given once. Don't miss them. Be on time for class and wait until instruction is over to go to the bathroom.

Bathroom Breaks

You must always get my approval before you leave class. One student at a time may get approval to go to the bathroom. It's best to use bathrooms during the passing period. I know this is not always possible. In the event that you are unable to use the bathroom during passing period, please wait until AFTER the instructions have been given or lecture is completed. THERE WILL BE NO BATHROOM BREAKS IN THE MIDDLE OF A TEST

Non-Negotiables

-Don't line up at the door.

-No sound coming from your computer.

-Dress code.

-Cell phone policy

-No bullying

-Come in, sit down, get started! You have wonderful things to learn and create.

Dual Credit

As part of this class, you have the opportunity to earn college credit through Howard College. This is offered to you at no charge, but a parent signature is required. It is important to note that the grade you make in this class goes on your official college transcript. Whether or not you continue your education with Howard College, all colleges and universities will require a transcript of your grades. If you fail this class, it will negatively affect your college GPA, future scholarships, grants, and other possible opportunities. Conversely, if you do well, which is doable, it will be a great achievement to include in a job and scholarship applications.

Rigor

You will work in this class. If you fall behind, it is hard to catch up. Don't fall behind. Utilize tutorial time. I do not hound you to get your work done or follow up with you after you have been out.