INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICES & PRACTICUM

Sousa 129

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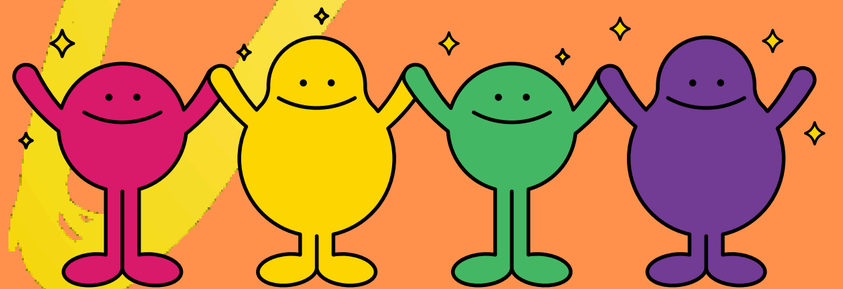
Course Objective

This course is a field-based internship that provides students with the knowledge of child development as well as principles of effective teaching and training. Students will work under the joint direction of high school and elementary school teachers. Students will learn to plan and direct individual and group activities, assist with record keeping and complete other responsibilities of a teacher. Students must provide their own transportation for the elementary internship.



Tutorials & Bobcat Block

I do not have a Bobcat Block, nor am I here during that class period. If you need to come in, you can flex into Ms. Morgan or Mrs. Ward's Bobcat Block.



Grades

Major Grades
60%

3 per nine weeks

Minor Grades
40%

10 per nine weeks

Google Classroom



Google Classroom is a part of our class routine. This is a great way to know what is expected and due each week. It is your responsibility to login assess what needs to be done. As you know, Google Classroom 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: studentid@students.saisd.org

Google Classroom Site: classroom.google.com

Dual Credit

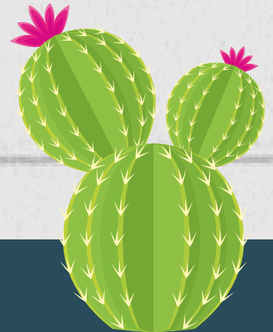
This course is a dual credit class, which in turn, makes it a college level class. 98% of a college level course is personal responsibility, the other 2% is instructor direction. This means that I will not hound you to get your work done or follow up with you after you have been out. I have implemented Google Classroom as part of our class routine so that we will all know what is expected and due each day. It is your responsibility to login everyday and assess what needs to be done. As you know, Google Classroom 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.

The grade you get in this class is the grade you get in college.



Class Expectations

- Turn work in on time.
- Be thoughtful in your responses.
- Do the work!
- Understand the privilege of this position.
- SHINE!

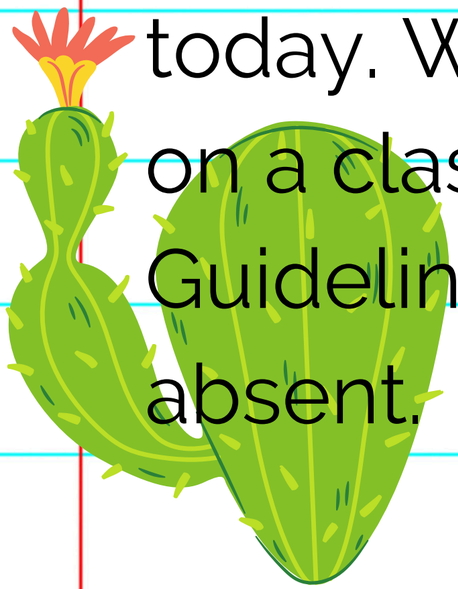


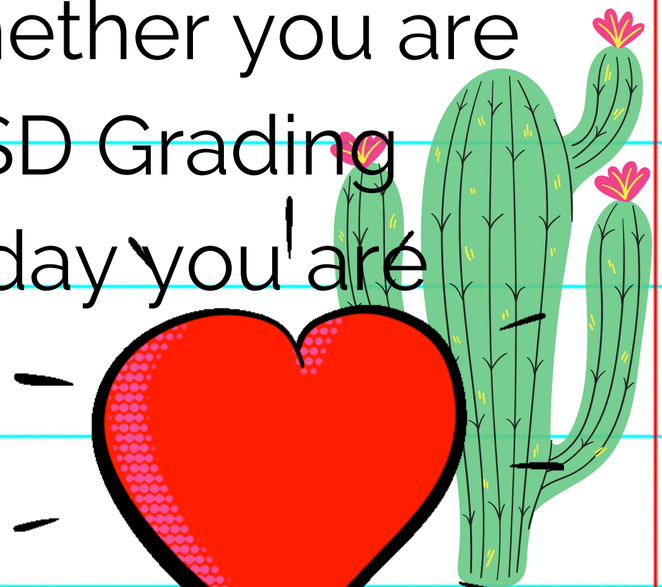


Absences & Makeup Work

Your third major grade of each nine weeks is based off of attendance at your elementary campuses. Each day absent from the elementary is 3 points off.

Your assignments for the entire semester are available today. Which means the due date stands whether you are on a class trip or not. Otherwise, per the SAISD Grading Guidelines, you get a day plus one for each day you are absent.







Late Work

SAISD Grading Guidelines

SAISD Grading Guidelines states: Late work will be -10 points off for each day that it is late, with the maximum points being -30 points.

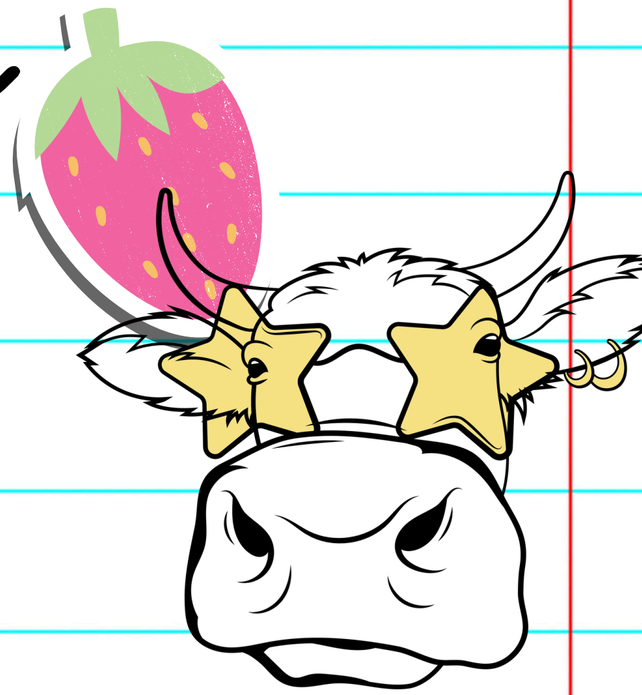
I have one week from the due date of the assignment to post grades to the gradebook.

You have plenty of time to finish and make up work in class. Get it done.

I did my part. I graded and posted grades in a timely manner. You did not do you part. You need to do better.

You may let me know you turned in late work and kindly remind me. Your approach makes things better.

Consequences



1. A warning will be given.
2. Conference with CTE Director or Principal
3. For repeated offenses or deliberate misconduct, a removal from the program



Cell Phones

On May 25, 2025, the Texas Legislature passed HB 1481.

HB 1481, a Texas bill, mandates that school districts **prohibit students from using personal communication devices, like cell phones and smartwatches, during instructional time and on school property**. The bill aims to reduce distractions, improve focus, and enhance the learning environment. It allows for exceptions for documented disability accommodations, medical directives, and legal safety requirements.



YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO HAVE YOUR CELL PHONES ON THE ELEMENTARY CAMPUS.

-Don't line up at the door. This is PRIME cell phone time!

-No sound coming from your computer.

-Food & drinks... nothing but water no.

-Dress code. Don't make me call it. I don't want to see the THINGS.

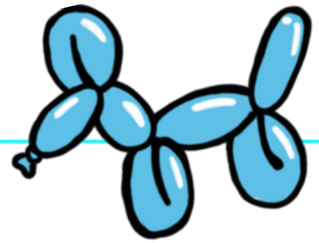
-Headphones need to be returned after use. Thank you, please and favor.

-Cell phones up. This is a campus policy. Don't make YOUR cellphone a problem.

-Don't be that kid that ruins it for everyone. Let's all get along and act right.

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

At CHS



Non-Negotiables

-Don't line up at the door. Make a friend!

-Clean up after yourself! Be a good member of society.

-Dress code...don't make me do it. I don't want to see the THINGS.

-Cell phones up! This is a STATE LAW. Don't make YOUR cellphone MY problem.

-Late work, ugh! Get your stuff turned in and if you have to turn something in late, be nice about it.

-Don't be THAT ONE kid that ruins it for everyone. Let's just all get along and act right.

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



Non-Negotiables

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- Comfy chairs are for students that have completed their work and have no missing work.
- Desks & chairs: These are new desks. Please take care of them. Be careful with the casters (rolly wheels) and don't scratch the top of the desks.
- Wipe off desks before you leave.
- All writing on desks must be school appropriate.
- You should always have your chromebooks charged and ready.
- Please return the dry erase markers. Otherwise, we won't have any left to write with and it will be up to you to supply your own.

It goes without saying that you will not talk when the teacher or your classmates are presenting or sharing out.

-Be on time.

-Be dressed appropriately.

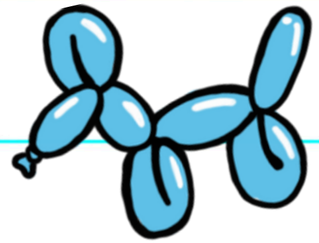
-Conduct yourself as a role model.

-Keep your phone in your car.

-Always be positive.

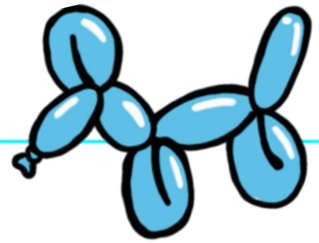
-Report issues when you have them.

At ELEMENTARIES



Non-Negotiables

-Be on time.
-Be dressed appropriately.
-Conduct yourself as a role model.
-Keep your phone in your car.
-Always be respectful.
-Report issues when you have them.



Non-Negotiables

Parents & guardians



I'll call them. Don't give me a reason to.

Refer to your resources

If I'm the only answer, then I'm the only answer!! I want to help you learn how to FIND the answer. There are always written instructions to refer back to. That is intentional! .

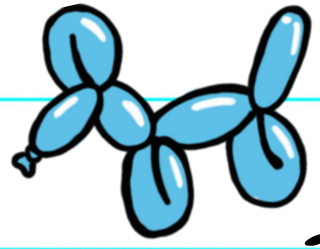
Verbal instructions are only given once. Don't miss 'em.

-Remember how good it felt to be exempt from your finals... or maybe you don't and you'd like to know how that feeeeeeels!

-You must have an 80 or better SEMESTER AVERAGE and no More than three absences.

-Each class counts seperately.

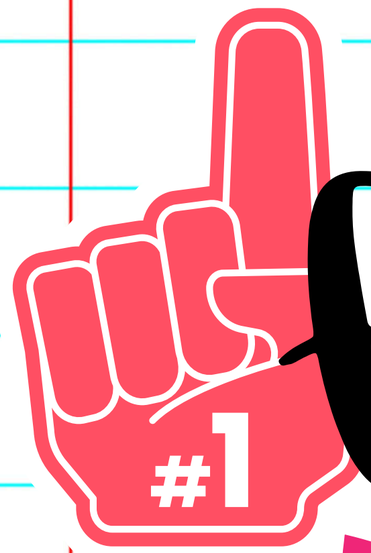
YOU CAN BE **EXEMPT FROM ALLL CLASSES** IN THE SPRING.

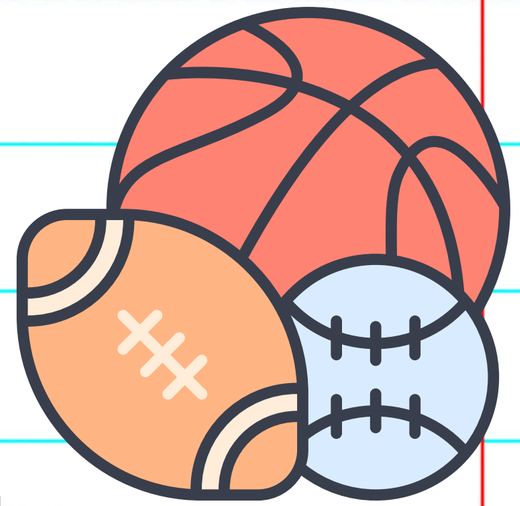




Final Exemptions

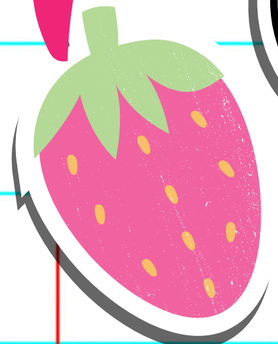
Eligibility





1. Eligibility is your responsibility.
2. Keep up with grades. Turn in work on time.
3. Must pass all classes to regain eligibility. Know when it is.





Tardies

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Rigor

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AT HS

eHall

We use it.

Act e ist ng

Please be respectful when I am delivering my instruction. If you are talking, you miss something and cause those around you to do the same.

Tardies



Tardies are a thing. Don't be tardy. Please be in your seat when the bell rings. Four tardies result in an office referral. Excessive tardies will affect your Final Exam exemptions.

Rigor



You have something due every Friday and a book to read. That's it. Get it done and turned in on time. All assignments for the entire semester are available NOW! :)

eHallpass

We use it.

Active Listening

Please be respectful when I am delivering my instruction. If you are talking, you miss something and cause those around you to do the same.

At ELEMENTARIES

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Set up

We use it.

Interrupting

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Tardies

Don't be tardy to the elementaries.
It's a poor reflection on you.

Rotation

You will rotate thorough different campuses, teachers, content, and grade levels every four weeks!

Schedule

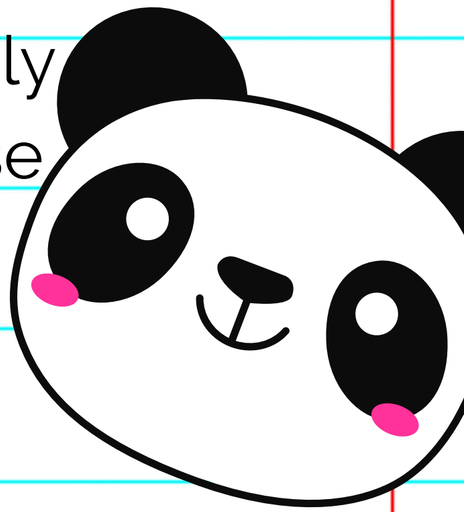
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Start 8:00
Leave: 10:00

Attendance

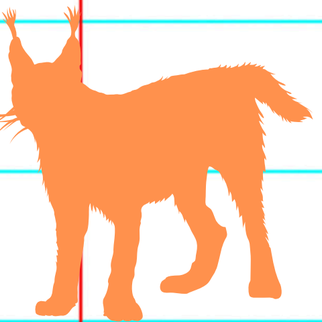
You will log your attendance via Timeclock App. It is mandatory and your responsibility. Your third major grade is based on attendance; -3 pts each day absent.

Just a Note

This class is a position of privilege and trust. I have to trust you to report to your campuses every day, show up on time, dressed appropriately, and conduct yourself as a role model. There is only one other program that has these privileges. Please do not abuse this trust. You will be removed from the elementary campuses, report to me every day, and ultimately be removed from the program.



You are a reflection of me and my program. I do not take this lightly. Your name on those campuses is related to my name within this district. We are new to many campuses and we are building a legacy. You are part of building a program where graduates get a job offer from SAISD. We are committed to growing our own and want you to return as a teacher with SAISD.



Attendance

TimeStation App





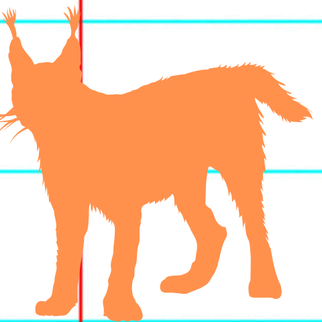
You are responsible for logging your own attendance via the TimeStation app.

It is mandatory and your responsibility.

Your third major grade is based on attendance.

-3 pts each day absent

-1.5 each day late



10 absences in one semester

Student Life

TAFE

$30
MEMBERSHIP
DUES

Free
Tshirt

Instagram:
sacentraltafe

competitions, socials, yearbook,
officers, homecoming,
community service



Deadline
by Sept 13

pronounced
like taffy
not like tape

Next Year: Practicum

Two rotations; Chose the teacher, content, and grade level

Educational Aide certification



January 29

Rise & Teach

Teaching Conference



March 11

CTE Recruitment Day

Interview Day! Real Jobs!

What is something you look forward to this year?



My Goals

GROW STUDENTS, GET YOU COMFORTABLE WITH YOU, AND AFFIRM YOUR CALLING TO TEACH/COACH!

Teacher Goals:
-Recognize birthdays
-Greeting & reading books
-FA integration
-More class activities that teach

Personal Goals:
-Keep yard looking GREAT!
-Find ways to connect as a mom.

TAFE Goals
-Nursing home
-Teacher of the Month
-100% ready! Practice!

Bell Ringer

1. Choose a piece of colored paper. Whatever color you want.
2. Fold it into an airplane as best you can.
3. Write your name somewhere on it.



Your Goals

1. Open up your airplane and smooth it out as a flat piece of paper.
2. Write three goals you want to accomplish this year.
3. Fold it back into an airplane.
4. Wait for next step.

