Consumer Math
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Textbook: Mathematics for Business and Personal Finance, Lange, Rousos, Glencoe McGraw Hill. 2010

Course Description: Consumer math is a class which relates to high school students. In this class we will explore various topics which include how to manage your checking account, budgeting, investing, taxes, insurance, and other financial topics that you may encounter over your lifetime.

Grading

Each quarter, your grade will be calculated using the following components:

- 70% Tests
- 20% Quizzes & Projects
- 10% Homework/Notes

Overall Grading Scale

A: 90-100%
B: 80-89
C: 70-79%
D: 60-69%
F: 59% and below

Daily Expectations:

- Please be on time and in your assigned seat. We will rarely use ipads. Bring your note packet each day.
- Have questions ready from the previous assignment.
- I expect students to be respectful every day and understand that not all students learn at the same pace, so it's important we have a positive learning environment for all students!

Cell Phone and Earbud Use

- See student handbook for the policy.

Hats and Hoods

- Hats are allowed in my classroom but I will ask you to remove them for quizzes and tests.
- I really prefer that you don't have your hood up, but they are allowed.
- If you have your hood up and I suspect you also have earbuds in, I may ask you to remove your hood. To help you be successful I want to be sure I have 100% of your attention.

Notes and Homework

- You are expected to take notes each day. You'll receive a skeleton note packet for each chapter and turn that in the day of the chapter test. Notes are worth points that count in the Notes/HW part of your grade.

- Assignments can be turned in at any point during each chapter. If they are not turned in by the day you take the Chapter Test, then they will turn to a 0 and you can no longer turn it in.

- Remember that homework is assigned to enhance your learning, and each lesson will build on the one before it, so stay on top of homework and do not get behind.

- I will have the answer key to many homework assignments on Schoology.
  Use this as a resource and please don't just copy!

What to do if you are absent

- If you are absent you can get the notes from a classmate, I can send you a PDF with the completed notes, or you can fill in your notes by watching the video for the day you missed. The videos will be posted.

- If you are sick or unexpectedly miss class, and you are excused by a parent or guardian, you will have one day more than the length of your absence to make up any work that you missed. Communicate with me to schedule any make-up tests or quizzes.

- For unexcused absences (skipping class), make-up work will be assigned, but no credit will be given.

- Utilize my WIN sessions! I can reteach during this time or allow you to make up quizzes and tests.

Quizzes & Tests

- I will post the dates for Chapter Tests two weeks in advance, quizzes will be posted on Monday for that week.

- There will be 3 chapter tests each quarter and a cumulative test. Each chapter test will be worth 100 points and will contain questions that are worth 1-6 points each. You will be expected to follow directions and show your work for each problem to earn full credit. The quarter cumulative will be worth 150 points.

- You may be allowed to retake a quiz but you must have the homework done and turned in prior to wanting to requiz.

Availability

- If you need help, communicate with me! Talk to me in class or email me. If I don't respond within a day, please email me again. I will never be ignoring you but might have just missed your email.

- I am usually at school by 7:45 and can help most days after school as well. My prep is 1B.