Geometry Focus 2015/2016

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**Here is some helpful information that will allow you to succeed in this class.**

**Required Materials for EVERY Class**

* Geometry Homework
* Geometry Class (2 inch) Binder
* Geometry FOCUS Notebook (use for focus only) - this will be checked in and/or collected
* No. 2 Pencils
* RED Checking Pen
* Highlighter
* Zipper pencil case- to put in binder
* Calculator- See Geometry syllabus

**What are the class expectations?**

***Be Responsible:***

* Be on time & in your seat **ready** to learn and work when bell rings
* Bring ALL materials to class
* Use hall passes for emergencies only! If this right is abused, student will lose privileges

***Be Respectful:***

* Follow all School Policies
* Everyone has the right to learn – do not interfere with this right by distractions such as Side-bar talking, phones, music devices, purses, cameras, food, etc.

***Be Productive & Participating:***

* Have notebook, Warm-up and homework out immediately when bell rings
* Check the agenda boards so you know what is going on in class each day
* Be ready to participate when called on
* Work the entire hour & to your best ability
* Be ready to learn, follow directions & ask questions!
* Use provided class time to begin assignment to make sure you are on the right track

***What do we do in a typical class?***

Warm-up

Review/Preview

Homework-Help

Geometry Focus Assignment

Check in/out

**What are the focus assignments like?**

Throughout the semester you will have in-class assignments/activities that include both individual and group work. These will be based on the material we have learned in Geometry or will be learning. If you work well in class, you should be able to complete all of your focus work during class time. Occasionally, you may have to finish something outside of school, but those instances would only be due to a lack of efficiency in the classroom.

On any assignment you are expected to show all of your work and check your solutions, as well as ask question when necessary.

Our goal in this class is to review Geometry concepts, sharpen our math and study skills and become better problem solvers. We will have activities that will help do this. For every class, PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED!

**Geometry Assignments vs. Focus Assignments!!!!**

At times students will not have time provided in focus to complete their homework. Students are expected and required to do Geometry class assignments as well as Focus assignments.

If a student does not have their GEOMETRY class homework completed, they will also lose points in FOCUS regardless if assignment was collected or not. If students are struggling, they should be using focus to help them with the concepts they are struggling with. This will help elevate the feeling of not understanding when students bring their homework home.

**When is my work due?**

Before you leave class!

You must be signed out for every class period- do not pack up early!

**GRADES!**

Grades will be a classroom record and will be updated on ParentPortal occasionally but not daily as students in focus work at difference paces and completion time varies.

**What will I be graded on?**

**Each DAY Total 5 PTS:**

Warm Up (1 pt)

Check in/out (1 pt)

Participation/at least one question (1 pt)

On Task & Behavior (2 pts)

**Review/Preview Assignments/Quizzes**

Anywhere from 1pt -10pts

\*\*The teacher may add points to assignments if necessary.

**How do I figure out my grade?**

Your grade is based on the points you earn divided by the total number of points possible.

It will be updated in ParentPortal often.

**What is the grading scale?**

Focus class is based only on a credit / No credit!

80 – 100% Credit

Below 79% No Credit

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**Geometry Focus Syllabus Signatures**

As a committed focus student, I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ am aware of my requirements and expectations in geometry focus. I understand that it is a privilege to be in this class as other students also struggle but have not had the opportunity to get this extra help. I know focus is not a study hall, but rather a class period that is there to support my growth and understanding as a math student and prepare me for my future math experiences. I will commit myself to make goals and do my best to reach them. I will make mistakes and learn from them, realizing that perseverance, hard work and dedication will lead me to the success I am looking for. I will treat this class, other students and the teacher with respect and kindness. I have given this document to my parent/guardian to look over and their signature follows mine below.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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