

SEPTEMBER 2014

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your child is enrolled in my **Algebra2/Trig** class. I would like to take this opportunity to give you and your student some general information regarding the course overview, class expectation, homework, attendance, and grading procedures. Please take the time to go over this important information with your student to ensure a successful start to a productive year ahead. Please sign in the space indicated and return to me no later than:

Wednesday, Sep 10. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at Nottingham High School at (315) 435-4380, or at kgjoncari@scsd.us.

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Topics to be Covered

Unit A: Equations, Inequalities, and Intro to Quadratics

Unit B: Complex numbers and Quadratic Formula

Unit C: Functions

Unit D: Introduction to Trigonometry

Unit E: Trigonometry Word Problems and Formula Sheet

Unit F: Trig Graphing

Unit G: Logs and Exponents

Unit H: Probability and Statistic

Unit I: Fractions

Unit J: Sequences and Series

EXPECTATIONS

For class **EVERYDAY**, you are expected to have:

1. A three ring binder/folder that will be used for Math only. You should divide your binder into **three** sections, one for notes (**all notes will have a title and should be dated**), the second for homework assignments, and the third for graded papers and bell ringers/out-door ticket.
2. **HOMEWORK**

Homework is part of the learning process. All assignments are expected to be completed when you enter the classroom. Homework assignments will be based on the day's lesson as well as previews lessons. Please date all your homework. I will check or collect homework daily. **If you are having trouble, please come and see me every day after school. Do not wait!!!**

- At the beginning of each marking period, each student starts with a 100-homework average. **For every missing homework assignment, 5 points will be deducted from the 100 points. If you do not have your homework assignment completed you are EXPECTED to come after school to complete the assignment. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY. At that time, you will have the opportunity to regain 3 out of the five points.**

ATTENDANCE

Though you should strive for perfect attendance, it is not always possible. **If you are absent from class but in school for any part of the day, you are expected to hand in/ pick up any missing assignment right after school. If you are absent from school for the entire day, and then you should turn in the assignments at the beginning of the next class when return to school. You are responsible to get any missing notes and make up any test, quiz, or homework assignment missed. DO NOT GET BEHIND!!!**

GRADING PROCEDURES

Your marking period grade will be calculated according to the following percentages:

Homework (20%)

Bell Ringer/Classroom Work (20%)

QUIZZES/TESTS (60%) – there will be a quiz at least once a week, and a test at the end of every unit. If you miss the class a day before a quiz/test, you will take the quiz/test with the rest of the class the following day, unless you have a **green stamp** from the attendance office.

FINAL AVERAGE- The final grade for the year is the average of your four marking period grades. **You need to have an overall average of 65, in order to earn credit for this course.**

CLASSROOM RULES

SHOW up to class prepared to work with the materials needed for the day, which should include writing implements and paper, homework and you agenda book.

TARDINESS and class skipping will negatively affect your learning and may result in academic failure. My high expectations as well as good intention for every student's success are the reason for not allowing these phenomenons to occur in my class.

CELL phones, any electronic devices, and hats will no be tolerated in class. Keep them out of sight, or they are mine for the period, or the rest of the day until your MOM/DAD comes and get them from me.

CAFETERIAS are for food. Do not expect to eat **anything in my classroom**. No drinks without screw tops.

SLEEP is for home; your head does not belong on the school desk. If you are sick, go to the nurse and go home.

SHOW respect to get respect. If you have an issue with me, let's settle it quietly, and get on with the work. I will do the same for you. Get loud, and you will have to find somewhere else to do it.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE _____

STUDENT NAME _____

COMMENTS: