

FORENSICS 2017-2018 Coach Dangelmaier

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Welcome to Forensics for the 2017-2018 year. You have entered a course that will require you to use bits and pieces of all the courses you have taken. This course is designed to make you question and reason. Your thinking will require a higher level of awareness. Problem solving skills will be required in every Forensics assignment. I am here to guide you through this course, and the understanding you attain is only limited by your desire to learn. Please do not hesitate to come to me for any reason.

WEBSITE, BOOKS AND MATERIALS

My website, www.swimsciences.com, is the primary source of information used for this class. Students are expected to view the website at minimum the day prior to class. The key to success is viewing the classroom information prior to class, in class, and reviewing. The more times students view and review the information, the better the information will “stick”.

Our textbook, Forensics published by Pearson, is available in the classroom.

I expect every student to have **pencil** and **paper** available every class. It is imperative for students to have some form of organization dedicated to Forensics. A **3-ring binder** would be good for keeping Forensics papers organized. We will be using **scientific calculators** during some assignments. Make sure to bring materials to every class.

Personal electronic devices (BYOT) are encouraged in the classroom for daily educational activities but ONLY when specified by me. Electronic devices used inappropriately (including accessing electronics during quizzes or tests) or that have become a distraction to the student or other students will be confiscated. Please review the AISD policies concerning BYOT (Bring Your Own Technology).

GRADES

Your grade will be determined by the quality of your work on the assignments that are issued during our class time (daily assignments or labs) or home assignments and tests or quizzes that arise.

- Daily assignments and homework - 20%
- Quizzes/Labs - 30%
- Tests - 50%

*****LATE Homework is not accepted; LATE Homework is a zero. Time management is a crucial skill for success in life and in this class.*****

QUIZZES and TESTS

1. Quizzes will be given both announced and unannounced.
2. Major tests will be announced at least one block in advance.
3. The use of programmed calculators on tests will not be permitted.
4. If you are absent the class day before a scheduled test, you will be expected to take the test upon return or a makeup test will need to be scheduled as soon as possible.
5. Students with excused absences school will be given one day for each day of absence to complete makeup work.

TUTORIALS

Tutorials will happen during the “+ Period”

EXPECTATIONS

Conduct in class affects everyone. These are the *classroom rules* that are expected of every student.

1. **Respect** - Treat everyone and everything with respect.
2. **Rules** - Follow all of the rules required by the school. (STUDENT HANDBOOK)
3. **Honesty** - Don't be a cheater or be dishonest because it rots the soul.
4. **Preparedness** - Be on time and prepared to learn
 - a. *Make sure to check the website the day prior to class. Download and Print any materials needed for class.*

There are *consequences* with every choice we make. The consequences for breaking the rules above can cost you time, freedom within the school, and your ability to become successful. It will also cause undue suffering for your parents and the loss of some of your privileges according to the consequences established by the student code of conduct.

Cheating

1. Students involved in any manner of cheating on any quiz, test, or graded will be given a zero.
2. Any student that is involved in cheating will receive a citizenship grade of “F”. Such consequences will result in possible loss of honor clubs expulsion.

Absences / Tardies

1. It is important to be in class everyday. Physics is a participation academic subject. Absences will make it difficult to maintain a passing grade.
2. Three unexcused tardies will result in denial of being exempt from the final. D-hall will be assigned.

Please check my website daily for updates. www.swimsciences.com

****Work as hard as you play, and play extremely hard. You should have a lot of attainable dreams for your life and this course is here to help you achieve them****