

Grading Procedures and General Regulations

Algebra 2/Trigonometry

Mrs. Kable's class

Material Needed Daily:

2 – 3 Spiral notebook

Folder or Binder

Pencil or pen

CALCULATOR* (TI-30X, or TI-84C)

Chromebook

Grading:

90% Performance (Tests, Semester Final)

10% Practice (Daily Practice, Quizzes)

Classroom Operations:

A. We will begin each class with an opening concept/or ACT test item, which will lead into the day's practice assignment, and then to new material. If there is extra time available, you can work on your day's practice. If you miss class time or need additional help, there are podcasts on Moodle to assist you.

B. Classroom time will be for exploration of concepts and clarification of new ideas. It also will be time to work on daily practice. All students will be expected to be working during their class time. You will not be allowed to play games until all practice and work is completed.



Moodle: Today, technology has changed the face of education. In fact, many students take online courses instead of taking courses in the traditional manner. Moodle is free educational software that allows learning to occur in a non-traditional setting. We will be using Moodle for assignments, podcasts, exit slips, and other fun activities. You can always find class notes, practice quizzes, and even forums. New London School District has a Moodle site located at <http://nlsmoodle2.newlondon.k12.wi.us> or under the “Student” tab on the school webpage.

Here's how to get on Moodle:

1. Log into <http://nlsmoodle2.newlondon.k12.wi.us>. Use your student ID number as your name and click on reset password.
2. Check your school g-mail account for an e-mail link. Click on the link and press continue.
3. Make your own password and write it down in your agenda.

Chromebooks:

I encourage you to bring your chromebook to class. You will be using your device for educational purposes. We will utilize it for opening/closing activities. **If you are using inappropriate sites, then your device will be collected and taken to the office. Please use it wisely.**

PERFORMANCE Category (90% of the Grade): This class will utilize the standards referenced grading system. Each standard will be given equal weight and be scored out of **6 possible points** according to the following scale:

EXPERT (5-6 points)

Assessments contain evidence of a high level of mastery of the standard and have no or very limited mistakes stemming from incomplete understanding.

APPRENTICE (3- 4 points)

Consistent mistakes or inconsistent accuracy reveals a lack of proficiency in the standard, but a developing understanding of core skills is evident.

NOVICE (1 -2 points)

Assessments have few correct responses related to the standard. When correct answers are present, they occur so infrequently as to be indistinguishable from random chance occurrence.

PRACTICE Category (10% of the Grade): This category will contain activities that influence instruction and learning in the classroom such as your practice assignments (homework) and quizzes. You can NOT reassess on quizzes. You may only reassess on standards that are in the “Performance” category on Skyward with the exception of the semester exam.

Daily practice allows students to excel on assessments (tests, quizzes, and projects); it will be given almost daily. Practice will be checked for completion and understanding. Your daily practice is usually not graded by how many problems are right/wrong but on a 2 point scale. You will receive full credit on daily practice if the assignment is understood, complete, readable, work shown, and on time.

Daily Point Scale

- 2 points - assignment is understood, on time and complete (or asked questions prior to the beginning of class for incomplete problems)
- 1.5 points - previously partially completed assignment now finished with understanding
- 1 point - significant errors showing lack of understanding
- partially complete (at least one-half) or turned in late
- 0 points - assignment not completed or copied

Daily practice will be tracked on Skyward in the “practice” category and will be 10% of your grade in this class. All daily practices for a unit must be completed in order to reassess a standard from that unit.

All daily practices should be placed in the black tray. If your daily practice is any later than the current chapter, you will receive no credit for it. In order to retake an assessment, your daily practices must be turned in.

**Reassessment:**

- A. You will not be allowed to reassess on quizzes and the final exam.
- B. Students can reassess in any standard after the chapter test. Students will be allowed to request reassessment in any standard (Performance category) **following** the chapter test. **Students will have two weeks from the scheduled date of the first attempt to reassess. NO EXCEPTIONS!** Students must request a reassessment by communicating to Mrs. Kable by e-mail. The e-mail should contain what standard that is to be reassessed and the IE time that the student scheduled.

UNGRADED Category in Skyward (0% of Quarter grade)

This category will be used to enter in activities that will NOT count toward your grade. For example, the pre-test given each semester will be entered as “ungraded”. You might also see some soft skills tracked here such as: brought materials to class, number of IE sessions attended, number of cell phone violations etc.

Labs / Projects / Review Activities:

Labs/Projects will be incorporated throughout the semester focusing on meeting specific math standards. You will be told which category in Skyward the activity will be tracked - performance, practice, or ungraded.

Absences:

You will be allowed to make up work that you miss during excused absences. For illness you will have the number of days you were absent. For all prearranged absences (field trips, athletic events, school meetings, etc.) you are expected to complete the assignment **BEFORE** the absence. In all cases, it is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to get the assignment from Moodle.

Extra Help Available:

Math is difficult for many people; I recommend you spend at least 15 to 25 minutes a day outside of class working on the lesson. Sometimes this may not be enough and you will need to get extra help. I am available to give you extra help with you math by appointment. I am available 1st hour or after school. Also, with the wonderful use of technology please use our class Moodle site which has podcasts.



Never be satisfied until you feel you understand a concept thoroughly.