

Plato: "The knowledge at which geometry aims is the knowledge of the eternal."

Pythagoras: "There is geometry in the humming of the strings, there is music in the spacing of the spheres."

GSE GEOMETRY Course Syllabus (2020-21)

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3:15 – 3:45 pm

Course Description

Geometry is an art that aspires to create beauty in a world of natural chaos. Through the study of shapes and configurations, students will understand and classify spaces in various mathematical contexts. In this course, students will develop fluency in the language of mathematics as well as demonstrate mastery of the Geometry content and practice standards. This course will equip students with 21st century skills, such as creativity, critical thinking, communication and collaboration, skills that students will use in college and career endeavors. Additionally, as a Henry County graduate, students will be able to prove, understand, and model geometric concepts using appropriate tools, theorems, and constructions to solve problems and apply logical reasoning.

COURSE OUTLINE:

Unit 1 – Transformations in the Coordinate Plane (2 weeks)

Unit 2 – Similarity, Congruence, and Proofs (5 weeks)

Unit 3– Right Triangle Trigonometry (2 weeks)

Unit 4 – Circles and Volume (3 weeks)

Unit 5 – Geometric and Algebraic Connections (2 weeks)

Unit 6 – Applications of Probability (1 weeks)

Review Units 1-6 for GA Milestone Test (1 week)

GA MILESTONES TEST:

The state administers an end-of course test to all students completing the Geometry course. It occurs in December and May and will count as 20% of the overall grade. Consequently, each student needs to work at retaining all of the material in order to do well on this test.

Required Text:

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt (HMH) Into Geometry ©2020 this school year. Students will have access to an online portal as well.

Required Student Materials:

- Folder
- Several three-hole notebooks
- 8 x 11 grid paper
- Pencil pouch, eraser, ruler
- Several pencils (wooden and mechanical)
- Colored pencils
- Highlighters, glue sticks
- Loose-leaf 8 x 11 notebook paper
- Compass, ruler, protractor
- TI 84 Graphing Calculator

Grading Policy:

Eagle's Landing's grading scale will be used.

***students who fall below 75% will be required to spend ½ hour after school for tutoring on at least two days until improvement.

Grading Distribution

Students are evaluated according to a variety of criteria.

 Students' grades are based on classwork which includes class participation, daily homework assignments, quizzes, and unit assessments, including midterm and final exams.

Practice work (Homework, classwork) 40%

Tests and Quizzes 40%

End-of-Course (Georgia Milestone) 20 %

Unit Assessment/Quizzes/Exams:

There will be in-class assessments and/or take-home assessment at the end of each unit, and quizzes may be given at any time. In addition, a mid-semester and end of semester exam will be given. Assessments will consist of a few problems that require the use of a combination of strategies and techniques explored throughout the unit. As always, emphasis will be on the explanation of the process, not just on the solutions.

Homework/Classwork:

Expect homework on a daily basis. For the most part, homework is due the day after it is assigned, and must be completed prior to the start of class. Some assignments will be scored in class based on effort and completion, while others will be collected and scored based on accuracy. You will not be told ahead of time which assignments will be collected. All problems should be adequately attempted and evidence for your efforts must be shown. Students may receive partial credit for incomplete homework.

Problems of the Week:

Problems of the week are long-term problem-solving, usually open-ended assignments. Despite the name, on occasion, you may have more than one week to work on a problem of the week.

Recovery Options:

- 1. Completing old assignments with BEST effort
- 2. Retaking tests after correcting mistakes on failing tests.
- 3. Test correction to help improve failing test grade.

Attendance/Participation:

You are expected to be prepared, participate in group discussions, work together on activities, answer questions posed by the teacher, present solutions to homework problems to the class, take notes on all activities, and follow general directions.

It is very important that you attend class daily. You will need to be up-to-date with the material at all times since most of the topics build upon each other. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to find out what you have missed.

*****During remote learning all classes will be recorded and uploaded in google classroom

****** Guided notes will be presented using google docs and each student is required to make a copy and complete in class each day

Tardy Policy

During Remote Learning

No student will be marked tardy, however each student is required to log in to class sessions daily using the google meet link located in the header in google classroom within the first five minutes.

During Face-to Face Learning

Each student is required to be in class on the ring of the bell to avoid being marked tardy.

Classroom Rules/Expectations

- > **Respect** yourself, others, and the classroom (i.e. do not wear hats. Hoodies, or sunglasses in the classroom, no swearing, no put-downs, pick-up trash).
- ➤ **Be responsible** for yourself (i.e. when you are absent you are still responsible for the notes, homework, and/or assessment missed. Come to tutoring or office hours for extra support on homework or to make ups).
- > Follow directions the first time they are given.
- No electronic devices (i.e. smart phone, cell phone, headphones.)
- ▶ Be prepared and in your assigned seat when the bell rings and until dismissed.
- > Adhere to ALL school rules.

Technology

- If a student is in possession of any electronic devices (smartphone, tablet, etc.), then those devices must be placed in an assigned pocket of a classroom phone caddy during every class period including instructional focus.
- If you have more than one device, (ex: multiple smartphones, and/or tablets), then both items must be placed in the assigned pocket.
- Students will be allowed to use their devices in the morning in the commons area before first block, between class changes, and during lunches (as long as they are not speaking on the phone or playing music that others can hear).
- Please note that failure to comply with this expectation will result in a discipline referral and appropriate consequences will be given.
- ELHS is not responsible for lost or stolen electronic devices. Students are encouraged to leave "non-instructional" personal items at home. The school-issued Chromebooks are the only electronic devices that are needed in the instructional setting.

Consequences for Misconducts

- 1. Warning/Student conference
- 2. Parent contact
- 3. Office referral
- 4. Severe offences will be referred to the office immediately.

^{*}This syllabus is subject to change. Students will be notified ahead of time of change.