Welcome back to the start of a brand new semester and a very exciting year in the study of mathematics!

Honors Geometry is the in-depth study of two and three-dimensional figures. This course extends the content of the standard geometry course, with an in-depth exploration of proofs and applications. Students develop their ability to construct formal, logical arguments in geometric settings and multi-step problems.

**Students Responsibility:**

1. You will be prepared every day with your textbook, notes, completed homework, calculator, and pencil.
2. You will show respect to your fellow classmates and teacher at all times and treat them the way that you want to be treated.
3. You will attempt your assignment every day and show your work. If you are having trouble you will write down the problem and the questions that you have so that we may discuss them in class the following day.

**Classroom Expectations:**

- No student is to conduct him/herself in a manner that interferes with another’s opportunity to learn. The district “Respect Code” will be followed. It states:

Schools, staff, and school district stakeholders of Rochester Community Schools will:

**HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE SAFE:**

- All individuals are entitled to a physically, emotionally and intellectually safe learning/work environment.
- It is our responsibility to address discriminatory statements and actions.

**HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE VALUED:**

- All individuals are entitled to be valued.
- Various customs, lifestyles, and backgrounds contribute to an enriched learning environment.

**HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE RESPECTED:**

- All individuals are entitled to be treated equitably.
- Education increases awareness and understanding and promotes human dignity.

Rochester Community Schools shall provide a district climate that prohibits acts of harassment or bullying, and eliminates prejudice and discrimination.

- Students will be on time and prepared for class. Everyday please bring with you your textbook, notes, completed homework, calculator, and pencil. Please come to class with an active, open mind, a strong will to participate, and a positive attitude.

- Students will be allowed to drink water in class. Please save all other food and drink for the lunch room or home.

- No I-pods, cell phones, or other electronic devices are allowed during class. If a student is caught using a cell phone or I-pod (having it in their hand is considered using), it will be confiscated and taken to the office. If a student is caught using a cell phone during a test or quiz, their score will result in a **ZERO**.

- During all tests and quizzes there will be No Communication OF ANY KIND With Fellow Classmates. If you communicate before All students are done, it will result in a **ZERO** for both people involved. During a test/quiz every student deserves a testing environment that is free from distraction, whether they finish first or last.

- Absences:
  Students returning from an absence will take the initiative to get all missed handouts, notes, and assignments. **It is your responsibility.** This can be accomplished by checking the assignment calendar in the classroom and/or our
If you are absent during review days only, you will be expected to take the quiz/test with the rest of the class. If you are absent the day of a quiz/test you will take the test the day you return to class.

**Classroom and School Policies:**

- **Excused Absences:**
  If you have an **excused absence** from class, you will have the opportunity to make up all missed work for full credit. It is your responsibility to get all class notes and assignments. You will have two days to complete any make-up work for each day you were absent. If this is not possible, you will need to speak with me the day you return to arrange a reasonable schedule for your make-up work. If you have an excused absence on the day of a test/quiz, you should expect to take the missed test/quiz the first day you return to class. You may be given an alternate version of the test. If you were absent on a review day only, you should expect to take the test/quiz along with the rest of the class on the pre-announced testing day.

- **Exempted Absences:**
  If you have an **exempted absence** from class, you do **NOT** get additional time to make up missed work. Exempted absences include all school related functions that cause you to miss class (field trips, counseling/administrative appointments, student government, etc.) It is your responsibility to get the assignment ahead of time and complete it along with the rest of the class. **If you will have an exempted absence the day of a test/quiz, you need to make arrangements with me to take the test ahead of time. You will not be given the opportunity to make up the test/quiz after it has been given.**

- **Unexcused Absences:**
  If you have an **unexcused absence** from this class, you will receive a grade of **ZERO** for any missed work, including a test/quiz, which took place on that day.

- **Pre-arranged Absences:**
  If you will be absent from class due to a **pre-arranged absence**, you are expected to get your assignments from me **prior** to your absence. By informing me ahead of time I can provide you with the work you will miss. You are expected to complete the assignments while gone and return the completed work to me the day you return to class. Please remember that absence from class means loss of instructional time for you. Please keep absences to a minimum.

- **Suspensions:**
  If you are suspended from school, you are expected to complete the assignments while gone and return completed work to me the day you return to class. You will also be expected to make up any missed tests and quizzes upon your return to class. **Any work not completed will result in a score of zero. Any tests or quizzes not taken the day you return will result in a zero.**

- **Student Materials and Fees:** In concert with direction from the State Board of Education, the Rochester Community School District will provide a free and appropriate public education for all students. The District will charge a fee for those items that have been identified as allowable by the State Board. The general rule is that anything which is integral to an elementary and secondary education will be provided at no cost to students. This applies to all required and elective courses. The district may determine a reasonable quantity and quality of school supplies that will be provided.

**Grading Components:**

**Homework:**
Homework will be assigned daily and homework grades will be given daily. All notes and assignments must be dated, neat, legible, and all work shown to receive full credit. Evaluation will be based on completion and effort. **Points will be deducted from assignments not completed, or at least attempted, and for work not shown.** It is your responsibility to attempt each homework problem, show all of your work, and follow the classroom directions for each assignment. You are expected to correct your homework daily. This includes marking problems wrong, asking questions, and making corrections on your homework paper. **NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
Projects:
Students will be assigned multiple individual/group projects throughout the school year. Projects will be an excellent opportunity for the students to expand and apply their knowledge to real life scenarios and further strengthen creative and critical thinking skills. Directions, a completion timeline, and a grading rubric outlining my expectations will be distributed before each project.

Tests and Quizzes:
Tests will be given approximately every two to three weeks. Tests will cover both concepts and techniques used in class and on homework assignments. Students will be given sufficient notice as to the dates of all quizzes and tests.

Grading Procedure:

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Current student grades will also be available online through myRCS. For access questions regarding login and password information, please contact in the main office (248-726-5400).

Student Responsibility:

Extra practice and tutorials are available online through www.classzone.com. I encourage you to take advantage of this extra support.

If you would like to access the online textbook you must create a student account.

1. Scroll down to the bottom of the current page and select our Geometry 2007 Online Book.
2. Under “Returning Visitors” Type:
   - Username: GEOMETRYRHS
   - Password: GEOMETRYRHS
3. Click Submit

Contact Information:

If you need to reach me for any reason please feel free to contact me by e-mail at sshooks@rochester.k12.mi.us or by phone at (248) 726-5400 Ext. 6986

I’m looking forward to a great year!!

Mrs. Stefanie Shooks
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