

2014-2015 Geometry Syllabus Westlake High School

Teacher: Mrs. Lacey Victor

Email: lvictor@eanesisd.net (best form of communication)

Phone: 512.732.9280 ext. 33407

Conference: 1st Period

Tutorials: 8:05 a.m. (or by prior arrangement) Monday – Wednesday, and Friday

Welcome back to a new school year! It is a pleasure to have each of you in my class. I am looking forward to having a rewarding learning experience with you this year! A **lot** of material will be covered in this course. See me as soon as possible with any problems or concerns. Please come with a positive attitude and ready to **work**!

Materials Needed

- **Three-ring binder** (At least 1")
 - **3 Dividers** (Notes, Homework, and Quizzes)
 - **Lined paper and Graph paper** (to be kept in your 3-ring binder)
 - **Pencils with erasers**
 - **Highlighter**
 - **Calculator** (Graphing TI -84 plus)
(calculator memory will be cleared before and after tests and quizzes)
-
- **The Holt Geometry textbook** issued to you may be kept at home and must be covered at all times to protect it from damage. In addition to the textbook, you also have access to HOLT Geometry through iFiles on your iPad:
DriveS@STUSHARED → Math → Holt TX SE Geometry → Student Edition → Select Chapter
 - Holt Rinehart Winston maintains a website to support its students. Students and parents can go to my.hrw.com on the internet to find extra examples, interactive quizzes, and video tutorials that are written for every section of the text. Log-in information will be shared in class.
HOLT WEBSITE: my.hrw.com
 - **Check teacher website for information.** You can access the site by going to www.whschaps.com go to teacher websites, Mathematics, Lacey Victor. I will post announcements, the syllabus, quarter calendars, notes, etc. In the event that you misplace these documents, or you are absent, you can access them through the website.
 - **Ebackpack** will also be utilized to distribute materials inside and outside of class.

Grading System

- **10%** of Quarter average = **Daily Grades**
 - There will be an assignment most days. It is an essential part of learning in any mathematics class. You are responsible to check your assignment and ask questions when needed. You must show your work to receive credit for the assignment.
- **30%** of Quarter average = **Quiz Grades**
 - There are announced and unannounced quizzes
- **60%** of Quarter average = **Test Grades**
 - Three or more tests will be given each 9 week period. Being absent the day before the test does not *automatically* excuse you from taking the test at the scheduled time. All reviews are on the calendar and the answers are posted in ebackpack.

***Re-test Policy-** If you choose to take advantage of the re-test opportunity you must take the re-test within one week of receiving your test grade.

- Suggestions for preparing for the retest:
 - All assignments, notes and quizzes should be complete, work shown, corrections made for the retested chapter. (eBackpack has answers to homework, reviews and notes)
 - Attend a tutorial session to learn from mistakes on first test.
- The score that you receive on your retest is computed as follows:
 $25\% \text{ of the first test score} + 75\% \text{ of the retest score} = \text{test grade in grade book.}$

- **If you are absent**, it is your responsibility to find out what you missed, to turn in missed work, and to make arrangements to make up any tests or quizzes missed. The nine weeks calendar is posted on my webpage. Attending tutorials is always recommended. If you miss class for any reason (excused or unexcused), remember that video tutorials are also available online. Please use this resource to help prepare yourself for your return to school.
- **If you are going to be absent due to school business**, please notify me at least 2 days in advance.

Classroom Expectations

- Be on time! School tardy policies will be enforced.
- Listen attentively, take notes, and ask questions. **ENGAGE YOUR BRAIN!**
- Follow the Westlake Honor Code. Only turn in work that is completely your own.
- Be courteous to all others in the class-listen without interrupting, offer encouragement, etc
- Bring only drinks that have lids.
- Make mathematical thinking your top priority for 50 minutes!
- Show your work!

You are expected to follow all District and School Rules in class and adhere to the dress code at all times.