

PHYSICS: 2012-2013

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MANAGEMENT PLAN AND GRADING PROCEDURES

Daily Materials: The student is expected to have these supplies with them at the beginning of every class. **Not being prepared will result in the student being marked tardy.** Please talk to me directly if you cannot provide these supplies for arrangements to be made.

- Pencil
- Paper
- Graph paper
- 2-Inch 3-ring binder
- Scientific Calculator

Classroom Expectations: These are basic classroom expectations of the student.

1. Raise your hand before responding, asking a question, or leaving your seat.
2. Be respectful of yourself, your classmates, and your instructor.
3. Be prepared for every class
4. Personal electronic devices are not permitted in the classroom during instruction
5. Being a distraction to others during instruction is not acceptable
6. Follow all of the rules required by the school outlined in the student handbook

Consequences: Though it is my hope that every student will follow these classroom expectations, there are consequences for each offense. Based on the severity offense any level may be deemed appropriate.

First Offense – Verbal Warning

Second Offense – The entire class will be held after the dismissal bell for 30 seconds

Third Offense – Removal from the class

Fourth Offense – Call home

Fifth Offense – Administrative referral

Grades: Your grade will be determined by the quality and correctness of your work on the assignments.

Homework – 30% –

You will have one weekly homework assignment, that will be posted each Wednesday and collected the following Wednesday. Because each assignment comes with a week to complete it, no late homework assignments will be accepted without a doctor's excuse. Homework may be turned in early. Your highest test score will serve to replace your lowest homework grade each grading period. *These assignments are meant to be worked on throughout the week.* Attempting to complete them the night before they are due will result in a poor grade.

Commented [CM1]: Great job, Nick! A well-thought out plan 😊

Commented [CM2]: On the one you create for your class next year, this should be the school phone number and school email.

Commented [CM3]: I would include something about how arrangements need to be made ahead of time if these materials cannot be acquired by the student. It is important that students come to class prepared, but you can't require students to have these things in public school. If this is not clear, I can explain it to you.

Labs/Classroom – 30% –
Assignments/Quizzes

Quizzes will be given both announced and unannounced. It is the responsibility of the student to retrieve any missed classroom assignments. Students missing school will be given a day for each day of absence to complete any makeup work. Labs will be announced at least one block in advanced. They are difficult to make up, so students are expected to be present if at all possible.

Tests – 40% –

Tests will be announced at least two blocks in advance. The use of programmed calculators will not be permitted. You will be given the same standard formula sheet for each test. Each test will be approximately half multiple choice, half free response in total point value. The free response questions on the test will be similar in nature to the weekly homework problems.

Cheating: Students involved in any manner of cheating on any quiz, test, or graded assignment will receive a zero and a mandatory call home. Working in groups on weekly homework assignments is encouraged, but it is expected that each student work through the material and turn in their own copy of the work for a grade.

Absences and Tardiness: It is important to be in class every day. Absences will make it difficult to maintain a passing grade. Not coming prepared to class with the supplies required results in a tardy. Two tardies, from supplies or otherwise, will result in the denial of having a test grade replace a low homework grade.

Signature: Student and Parent/Gaurdian Signatures below acknowledge an understanding of the classroom expectations, policies, and grading procedures. Feel free to contact me at any time with any concern you may have in this class or otherwise. The completion of this form and the pretest will serve as your first week’s homework grade. There is no reason not to start the semester out with a 100!

Student Signature

Date

Student Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Name

Phone Number

Email Address