

AP Calculus BC

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Google Classroom

We will be using Google Classroom throughout the school year. Each day, you will go to our Google Classroom at the beginning of our scheduled class period. From there, you will locate the current week, and find the first assignment for the day's date. The first assignment will provide further instructions for the day. All of our assignments will be posted in Google Classroom, with links to other platforms included. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out by email, phone, private comment, or through the Remind app!

Google Meet

We will be utilizing Google Meet for virtual instruction. Remember that all school rules apply, and you are expected to behave on Google Meet as if you were in the classroom. When you enter a Google Meet session, please MUTE your microphone upon entering and wait for further instruction. I will provide more specific guidance as part of our opening day activities.

Grading Policy

In order to maintain consistency across classes, the district has developed a grading policy that all teachers will adopt. Your grade will be calculated using the following categories:

50% Assessments (includes tests, papers, projects, and quizzes)

40% Assignments

10% Progress Assessment

Late Assignments

Any assignment turned in 1 day late will have 25% deducted from its grade. Any assignment turned in 2 days late will have 50% deducted from its grade. No late assignments will be accepted after 2 days (unless arrangements have been made due to special circumstances).

We will discuss the specifics of grading as we move through the beginning weeks of the year. We will refer back to the information below as we discuss the different types of assignments.

AP Calculus BC Grading Categories

Assessments

In our class, the **Assessments** category will include projects, traditional unit tests, and practice quizzes. Each trimester, students will create a scrapbook as a project that will count as an assessment grade. The practice quizzes are meant to give students an opportunity to practice their skills, and can be retaken in order to earn a higher score. For unit tests, students will have the option to submit corrections or take a different test if they are unhappy with their grade. Specifics will be given for each assessment, as they are different in formats. If a student chooses this option, they must notify the teacher of their intent within one day of receiving their grade, and will have one week to complete the corrections or new test. ***Note that this policy does **not** apply to Progress Assessments.

There will be at least 4 major assessments each trimester, including the scrapbook and unit tests. The number of practice quizzes and AP practices will change depending on the topics of study each trimester. There will be approximately 15 practice quizzes in the first trimester.

Assignments

This category includes other assignments that will be assigned during the year, including:

- Warm Ups
- Summaries
- Classwork & Activities
- AP Practice
 - AP Practices are short sets of multiple choice or free response questions to prepare students for the AP Calculus BC exam. In the beginning of the year, the practices will be based on concepts from AP Calculus AB. There will be approximately 8-10 AP Practices in the first trimester.
- Choice Boards
- Reflections

Progress Assessment

At the end of each trimester, students will take a progress assessment. This assessment will focus on the main themes and ideas learned during the trimester.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns as we move through the year. I am excited to work with you this school year!

