

## Consumer Math

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**Textbook:** Mathematics for Business and Personal Finance, Lange, Rousos, Glencoe McGraw Hill. 2010

**Course Description:** Consumer math is a class which relates to high school students. In this class we will explore various topics which include how to manage your checking account, budgeting, investing, taxes, insurance, and other financial topics that you may encounter over your lifetime.

## Grading

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Each quarter, your grade will be calculated using the following components:

	Overall Grading Scale
• 70% Tests	A: 90-100%
• 20% Quizzes & Projects	B: 80-89
• 10% Homework	C: 70-79%
	D: 60-69%
	F: 59% and below

## Daily Expectations:

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- Please be on time and in your assigned seat with your ipad and stylist charged.
- Be ready with any questions from the assignment from the previous day.
- I expect students to be respectful everyday and understand that not all students learn at the same pace, so it's important we have a positive learning environment for all students!

## Cell Phone and Earbud Use

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- See student handbook for the policy.

## Hats and hoods

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- Hats are allowed in my classroom but I will ask you to remove them for quizzes and tests.
- I really prefer that you don't have your hood up, but they are allowed.
- If you have your hood up and I suspect you also have earbuds in, I may ask you to remove your hood. To help you be successful I want to be sure I have 100% of your attention.

## Notes and Homework

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- You are expected to take notes each day. This document will be located in a daily Schoology folder. Homework will be assigned daily **and is part of your grade**. The homework will be on the same document as the notes are. I will go through how to upload/save it, write on it, and submit it back to me in the appropriate folder.
- Assignments should be submitted the next time our class meets. If you don't turn in an assignment by the due date, I may mark it "mi" for missing which means you will still have the opportunity to turn it in without penalty. **If it is not turned in by the day you take the Chapter Test, then it will turn to a 0 and you can no longer turn it in.**
- Remember that homework is assigned to enhance your learning, and each lesson will build on the one before it, so stay on top of homework and do not get behind.
- I will have the answer key to many homework assignments on Schoology. It will be a PDF document. Use this as a resource and don't just copy! I'll say that again – **DON'T JUST COPY!!**
- If you are absent, I may have the option of having TEAMS running so you can join the class live. I could also record a video of the lesson if you're unable to join TEAMS. Otherwise, I can send you a PDF of completed notes and then your job would be to do the assignment.

## What to do if you are absent

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- If you know ahead of time that you are going to be gone for any reason, it is **your** responsibility to let me know and if things are not in Schoology yet, I can email you what you'll be missing. I can also have TEAMS running so you could join live from wherever you are at and still be part of the class.
- If joining TEAMS isn't an option, you can either get a copy of someone else's notes or email me and I'll send you the completed notes from the day(s) you missed. It's possible that I may have a short video of my notes you can watch as well.
- If you are sick or unexpectedly miss class, and you are excused by a parent or guardian, you will have one day more than the length of your absence to make up any work that you missed. Communicate with me to schedule any make-up tests or quizzes.
- For unexcused absences (skipping class), make-up work will be assigned, but no credit will be given.
- Utilize my WIN sessions! I can reteach during this time or allow you to make up quizzes and tests.

## Attendance & Tardiness

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- I expect you to be IN the classroom by the time the bell starts ringing, and making your way to your desk before it stops ringing.
- If you know you are going to miss class (meetings, sports, music, etc.), it is **YOUR** responsibility to get your assignments ahead of time so that you don't fall behind. If you are sick, you will be given one more day than the number of days you missed to complete any makeup work or tests. An exception to this is if you are absent for only part of the day. You are then expected to get the assignments for the classes you missed or will miss. See your Packer Planner for school rules regarding absences. Tests and quizzes may be made up before or after school or during your free period.
- See student handbook for the absent/tardy schoolwide procedures

## Quizzes & Tests

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- I will post the dates for Chapter Tests two weeks in advance, quizzes will be posted on Monday for that week.
- There will be 3 chapter tests each quarter and a cumulative test. Each chapter test will be worth 100 points and will contain questions that are worth 1-6 points each. You will be expected to follow directions and show your work for each problem to earn full credit. The quarter cumulative will be with 150 points.
- You may be allowed to retake a quiz but you **MUST** have the homework done AND submitted prior to wanting to requiz.

## Availability

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- If you need help, communicate with me! Talk to me in class or email me. If I don't respond within a day, please email me again. I will never be ignoring you but might have just missed your email.
- I am usually at school by 7:45 and can help most days after school as well.
- If you need help during a time that I am not available, go to the math office 220H. Just knock, someone will wave you in, and there should be a teacher to help you.

The biggest point I want to make clear is – I need you to communicate with me! You can talk to me before, during, or after class, and you can always email me too. But please let me know if there's something I need to know to help you have a successful school year!