2023-2024

White Oak High School MATH Department Policies

1. A minimum of 3 major grades and 10 daily grades will be given per grading period.

2. Tests will be taken within the class period. Exceptions will be made for those with specific testing accommodations. Questions that are left unanswered will be counted as incorrect.

3. If a student is absent on the day a scheduled test is given, they will take the test on the day of their return.

4. If a student is absent on the day of the review for the test, they will take the test as scheduled.

5. If a student was absent and missed new material that will be on the scheduled test, they will take a makeup test on a date scheduled by the teacher. The make-up test may not be the same test as the original but it will cover the same material.

6. At the end of each grading period, a cumulative test will be given to all students.

A. <u>FOR REGULAR MATH COURSES</u>: the cumulative test grade will replace a lower test grade from the same grading period.

B. <u>FOR PREAP MATH COURSES</u>: the cumulative test will be used as a test grade AND it will also be used to replace a lowest test grade in the corresponding grading period. IF the cumulative test is the lowest test grade, it will be figured into the MP average as a single test grade. IF the cumulative test replaces a lower test grade, it will be figured into the MP average as two test grades.

7. Grades will be posted in Skyward as soon as they are graded. Please allow 3 to 5 days for the teacher to post daily grades and at least 5 days to post major grades. If a student has been absent and there is make-up work, it may be longer.

8. The math department follows the WOHS policy for absences and make-up work: the number of days out is how many days the student has to return the work that was assigned. Please have your child check their teacher's blog to see what they have missed. If they are able, it would be in their best interest to get the notes from a classmate (or they may be provided online by the teacher) and complete the assignment. Please understand we are not expecting a sick student to get their work done while they are ill. If they wait until they return, it will be more difficult to step back into class and understand what they missed. Math is a course that builds from day to day and missing any day means they could be missing a foundational piece for the next topic. If it is at all possible, the student should copy the notes and complete the assignment. If they have questions, please have them come in before school and get help from the teacher. Most students will find that after they have copied the notes provided by the teacher online somewhere or after getting them from a reliable classmate that they can do most of what was taught. By doing their assignment, they will know specifically what they need to clarify and ask the teacher on their return. There are also lots of sites online that will have a video explaining the topic. These can be easily found by googling the topic, searching on YouTube, or the teacher may have even posted a video on their blog. As stated above, please understand we are not expecting a sick student to get their work done while they are ill. But as parents, we all know that as they improve they might be able to get a head start on what they have missed making it easier for them to return to a class that has moved forward in content.

9. EXTRA CURRICULAR ABSENCES: It is highly encouraged that if a student will be out for extracurricular activities that they get their work before they leave. They should check their math teacher's blog for any notes that have been posted in their absence. If they wait until they return from their function, it will be more

difficult to step back into class and understand what they missed. Math is a course that builds from day to day and missing any day means they could be missing a foundational piece for the next day's topic. If it is at all possible, the student should copy the notes and complete the assignment. If they have questions, please come in before school and get help from the teacher. Most students will find that after they have copied the notes provided by the teacher online somewhere or after getting them from a reliable classmate that they can do most of what was taught. By doing their assignment, they will know specifically what they need to clarify and ask the teacher on their return. There are also lots of sites online that will have a video explaining the topic. These can be easily found by googling the topic, searching on YouTube, or the teacher may have even posted a video on their blog. Anything a student can do for themselves will help them when they return to a class that has moved forward in content.

10. WOHS has a policy in place for late work that the math department will strictly follow. Please refer to the student handbook. However, if a student has three zeros or are habitually late turning assignments in during a grading period, they will be given a discipline referral to the office.