

**Welcome!** This is going to be a wonderful semester. Strap yourself in, and let's get ready to roll!

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Go to the website for:

- Daily Information and Notes
- Assignments
- Grades
- Other valuable stuff

### Required Materials

**\*\* Students are not permitted to go to their lockers once class begins to get any of these items! \*\***

- 3 Ring Binder(s): This should be at least 2-3" thick as I enjoy giving many handouts.

I will leave the organization system up to the student. One student might prefer to keep items chronological, whereas another student might create separate sections for notes, homework, handouts, and the like.

Some past students have kept an additional 3 Ring Binder at home with material from previous units so that their school binder is easier to manage.

- Some Loose Leaf paper; either college ruled or wide ruled
- Some Graph Paper
- Pencils and erasers -- though I do not outlaw pens
- Calculator (scientific or a graphing calculator - preferably any variety of Ti-83 or Ti-84 or Ti-NSpire)  
I recommend the graphing calculators - especially for future courses. The Ti-83, Ti-84, and Ti-NSpire (NON-CAS) models will be permitted in any math class at CHS, and they are also allowed on the ACT and SAT. If you have specific questions about what type of calculator you should purchase, please contact me. As a note, the graphing calculator will be used in the following courses as well: Algebra 2, Precalculus, Calculus, Chemistry I, Chemistry II, and Physics.
- Textbook (you should keep this covered, but you do not need to bring it to class daily)
- Compass
- Protractor
- Ruler
- Highlighters or Colored Pencils (suggested especially if you are a student that finds color-coordination helpful)

### Classroom Rules (\*\* In addition to school rules \*\*)

1. Be in your seat ready to go before the bell rings.
2. Respect the teacher, fellow students, and *yourself* at all times.
3. Respect all school and personal property.
4. Only work on material for this class during this class.
5. Have a positive attitude each day!

### Discipline Policy

This is the general procedure used for deviations from expected behavior in class. Obviously, extreme situations will be handled appropriately. (*Hopefully we do not have to use this much.*)

- Step 1:* Acknowledge misbehavior informally and warn student.  
*Step 2:* Talk to student individually and see if a solution can be reached.  
*Step 3:* Give the student a detention.  
*Step 4:* Notify the parents / guardians.  
*Step 5:* Send the student to an assistant principal. (Notify parent / guardian.)  
*Step 6:* Conduct a meeting with the parents or guardians, administrator, and teacher.

## Mr. Hamilton's Top 10 Strategies for Success

10. Take quality notes
9. Understand all terms
8. Review daily
7. Be prepared for class
6. Participate in class
5. Practice problems (with friends?)
4. Double-check your work on tests, quizzes, and assignments
3. Honestly attempt each assignment and correct any errors
2. Make sure your questions are answered:
  - In class
  - Before or after school

# 1. Have a positive attitude!

*Together, we are going to have a great semester!*

Note: Extra help is available from Mr. Hamilton at the following times:

- 1.) Before School: 7 AM – 8 AM daily.
- 2.) By Appointment.

\*\* As Director of the Canfield Speech and Debate Team, many of my hours after school are dedicated to coaching. However, I make every attempt to help any student in my class. Please feel free to e-mail or call if extra help is desired!