



Mobius Policies

Welcome to Mobius! Our goal this year is to help you learn to understand the world around you through the vehicles of English, science, and social studies. We want to help you improve your reading, writing, and public speaking skills while helping you to think critically about the issues and ideas in our society.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION: Listening is an essential part of communication, as well as a requirement for success in all your classes.

Listen with your ears, heart and mind, and give all viewpoints your full respect and consideration. Allow only one person to speak at a time and raise your hand when you have something to contribute.

GRADING POLICY: Your grades will be a combination of class work, homework, labs, projects, tests, quizzes, participation, attitude and cooperation. Letter grades are assigned as a percentage of total points in a grading period as follows: 100-90% = A, 89-80% = B, 79-70% = C, 69-60% = D. Make sure your assignments follow the format for written work outlined on the other side or 10% may be deducted from that assignment's grade. We will follow all grading policies outlined in the student handbook with respect to tardiness, unexcused absences, and plagiarism/cheating in calculating your grade. Ten percent of your semester grade is based on participation, attitude and cooperation.

CORE LITERACY PORTFOLIO: In order to help you meet the graduation requirement of the Core Literacy Portfolio, we will provide you with a folder in your English classroom in which to keep your completed work. Your teachers will help you label each appropriate assignment with a reading approach label to ease completion of your portfolio next spring.

MAKE-UP POLICY: If you have an excused absence and the assignment was known about in advance, the assignment is due the day you return to class. Missed quizzes and exams must be made-up during tutorial. Check a classmate's table of contents to see what additions were made during your absence and then check with each teacher's classroom system for all missed work. **Make sure late work is marked ABSENT with the date of absence on it** or it will be graded as late. Exceptions can be made for unusual circumstances.

LATE WORK: Late work will only be accepted for the equivalent of D points, or less. We reserve the right to make exceptions. When adhering to these policies, Mobius' teachers will consider the special needs of students identified by the special education department.

TOOLS FOR SUCCESS: Class starts when the bell rings and you must be in your seat at that time. If not, you are tardy. Use the restroom during breaks, not during class. You will have 4 bathroom passes per semester; use them wisely. Make sure that you write your name in your planner, books, binder, and calculator. Bring all necessary materials to class, a sense of humor and a positive attitude. Water is allowed in a closed container. School policy prohibits eating in class.

We're here to help. If you are having any problems, come see us so we can talk. Come to us **in advance** of assignment deadlines so that we may deal with problems proactively. Talk with us to arrange a good time to meet and remember that Tutorial is a great time to get extra help.

Have fun. If we all work hard, don't take ourselves too seriously, and cooperate with each other, this should be a great year. Let's remember to show appreciation for one another.

FORMAT FOR TYPED ASSIGNMENTS

1. Double-space the document.
2. Use 12 point Times or Palatino as your font.
3. Set 1-inch margins on all sides.

Your Name
Date Assignment is Handed In
Subject and Period
Teacher's Name

Title

NECESSARY SUPPLIES

Planner
Paper
Pen/Pencil
Colored Pencils
Ruler
Tape/Glue Sticks
Scissors
White Out
2-3" Binder
Calculator
Current Literature Book