

# *Pre-Calculus Course Syllabus*

*“One’s mind, once stretched by a new idea, never regains its original dimensions.”* - Oliver Wedell

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**Tutorials:** Wednesdays and Thursdays during Oiler Hour (Remind is also available)

## Resources and Materials:

- Pencils, Pens, Highlighter  
(Quizzes and Test must be completed in pencil. If not, there will be a 10 point deduction in points.)
- Colored pencils and tape
- TI-Nspire (Calculators will be provided)
- Composition Notebook/Spiral/Folder
- [www.patrickjmt.com](http://www.patrickjmt.com)
- Precalculus: Enhanced with Graphing Utilities

## Dr. B’s Reminders:

Text @drbedf to (469) 608-2207

## Daily Assignments and Homework:

Assignments must have student’s name, the date, class period at the top of the page. Calculation work or scratch work must be shown neatly with a box around the answer. **NO WORK, NO CREDIT!** Homework is also considered a daily assignment and will be given every day (There are exceptions ☺). Students will be allowed some time at the end of class to start on assignments, ask questions and or check answers when possible, Points will be deducted for late work.

## Quizzes, Projects and Testing:

There will be announced and unannounced quizzes. Sometimes students will be allowed to use their notes or homework on a quiz. **Quizzes are worth more than daily grades.** Projects will be given occasionally to reinforce skills. Students will need to follow the rubric. Benchmark and chapter tests will be given often. Retest and re-quizzes will be available. Retests and re-quizzes will be permitted during Oiler Hour. Students are allowed to retest for full credit after completing a request to retest form found using the QR code in the classroom for testing. Retests and re-quizzes are not permitted after the unit as passed. Exceptions will be allowed when needed.

## Make Up Work

When returning to school after an absence, students are responsible for getting their own notes and assignments. Students will scan the QR code for absences to access notes by date or students may take pictures of the teacher’s notes. Students will have two days to complete and turn in their assignments without a deduction in points. There will not be extra time given for tests due to them being previously announced and scheduled. Exceptions will be allowed when needed.

## Late Work

Late work will not be accepted once a test has been administered on that concept. Assignments turned in late prior to a test will receive a deduction in points.

### **Extra Credit:**

Extra Credit will be given every nine weeks as decided by the teacher. Extra credit will be given and or earned for class participation, attending tutorials and through cellphone tickets. Cell phone tickets are earned after students place their phone in the phone slot during the last 3 weeks of a term in addition to testing days. Cellphone tickets are worth two points per day and may be used toward any previous or current assignment or assessment and is not permitted on the final.

### **Restroom Policy:**

Each student will be given three restroom passes for each nine weeks. When a student asks to go to the restroom, the teacher must stamp their pass and the student must fill out the class pass with their name, time and date. Once the card has been punched three times, that student is no longer allowed to go to the restroom for the remainder of the nine weeks unless they borrow another students' pass. There are exceptions to this policy when needed.

### **Dress Code/IDs**

Dress code will be checked daily and IDs must be worn. Students without an ID must retrieve one prior to class starting. Students that are out of dress code must scan the appropriate QR code, complete the form and correct, if possible, the infraction immediately. If the infraction cannot be corrected then the student must be sent to the office.

### **Oiler Hour/Tutorials**

Students attending Oiler Hour must sign in using the QR code for Oiler Hour. There will be no tutorials during the teacher's duty times. Students that cannot attend tutorials or may need further assistance may text through Remind. Tutorials through Remind will end at 6 pm Monday thru Thursdays.

### **Cellphone Policy**

BYOD Stoplight will be utilized allowing students to use their phone during certain times during the class period. Red indicates no phone usage, yellow indicates the phone may be on face down on corner of desk on silent of vibrate and green indicates usage is permitted as students stay on task. If the policy is not followed a warning will be given initially and disciplinary actions will ensue for persistent behavior per district policy. Students charging a phone must leave their phone charging for the duration of the class period.

### **Expected Behavior:**

1. Respect you instructor, peers, and yourself (We encourage others and never demean one another.)
2. Demonstrate honesty, integrity, exemplary character within and outside of the classroom.
3. Be attentive and display active (not passive) participation in all classroom activities.
4. Completion of **all** daily and homework assignments.
5. Please clean your desk and area around your desk **before** you leave the classroom.
6. Present and on time to class **with all necessary supplies**
7. Participation in independent study groups(taking responsibility for your education is the first step to academic success and excellence)
8. Attendance at tutorials when you need help, at your discretion. You may attend another teacher's tutorial.
9. Adhere to rules on common courtesy
  - a. Raise hand for recognition and talk only with permission.
  - b. Remain seated in assigned desk during class. Do not get up to throw away paper, sharpen a pencil or to retrieve a calculator. This must be down prior to the lesson starting. When leaving please stay seated until you are dismissed. (The **teacher** dismisses you and **not** the bell)

- c. Refrain from the leisure use of radios, headsets, cell phones, and/or any other personal electronic listening devices in the classroom during instruction.
- d. Refrain from throwing objects in the classroom.

***(Rewards and positive incentives will be given as see fit by the teacher ☺)***

**Unacceptable Behavior:**

1. Closing up or leaving class before dismissed by the teacher
2. Profanity in any form (verbal, physical, symbolic or written). A warning will be granted and persistent behavior will be given detention.
3. Cheating in *any* form. The Honor Code Policy will be enforced.
4. Sleeping or head down on desk. There are exceptions when needed for a lowered head.
5. Removing anything from the classroom which is not yours. Disciplinary actions will be taken.

**Grades:**

Overall Six Weeks Average determined by:

Daily Work/Quizzes/Assignments	40%
Exams	60%

Class donations of supplies are accepted and appreciated. The supplies needed and used for the class are the following:

- Kleenex
- Hand Sanitizer
- Tape
- Dry Erase markers
- Pencils
- Pens
- Crayons/Colored Pencils

\*Policies and procedures are subject to change when needed.

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To ensure that parents/guardians and students are aware of the guidelines and expectations for this class, please sign, date and return this portion with your student.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Class Period: \_\_\_\_\_