

Welcome letter

Welcome to Mr. McCarthy's Grade 11 math class! We're in for a great time as we explore some exciting and challenging math together.

My goal is that you all gain something meaningful from this class. To do this, we will try to understand and connect concepts, rather than just taking a formulaic approach. With effort from all of us, you will end up prepared for the test as a by-product of your meaningful learning in the course.

My classroom is a safe space for all students where we celebrate differences. I will not tolerate bullying or other derogatory or abusive behavior in any form.

3 + 3 Expectations

I expect you:

- To work hard, whether you are usually sail through or struggle in math.
- To think of the class as a team where we work together to learn, not a competition.
- To respect your peers and the classroom space that we learn in.

You should expect:

- To be called on regularly in class to provide your opinions and answers.
- To get the help you need from me. My door is open from 7:30 – 3:45.
- To receive a degree of independence from me that reflects your effort and progress in class.

Materials

Please bring every day:

- Textbook
- Consumables workbook
- TI n-Spire graphing calculator
- Pencil and eraser

Bring as needed

- Protractor, compass, ruler

Classroom Policies

Cellphones: do not use these in class. If you do, I will confiscate them until the end of the day and may assign detentions.

Working with others: you may work together on homework and assignments. I expect you each to turn in your own work—copying someone's work will only hurt you later.

Academic dishonesty: any kind of cheating on a quiz or test will result in a code of AD and a referral to the office.

Language: please speak English in the classroom so we can all understand.

I look forward to teaching you this year!