

MRWC (Mathematical Reasoning with Connections) Course Syllabus

COURSE DESCRIPTION: The course is divided into four essential themes: Reasoning with Numbers, Reasoning with Functions, Reasoning with Equivalences, and Reasoning with Distance. The following page list specific topics that will be covered throughout both semesters.

Required Supplies	Suggested Additional Supplies
 1/2" to 2" binder (to keep the current unit in) a section in your binder or a notebook to take notes something to write with (pencil or pen) 	 graph paper ruler or protractor colored pencils and/or highlighters scientific calculator

GRADING POLICY: Grades are cumulative throughout each semester and will be based on demonstrated mastery of concepts and development of skills. Student performance will be assessed in three areas:

Tests = 50%	90-100% = A
Quizzes = 25%	80-89% = B
Classwork/Homework = 25%	70-79% = C
	60-69% = D
	0-59% = F

HOMEWORK/CLASSWORK: CW & HW will be assigned on a regular basis. Homework will be due *at the beginning of the next class session* unless stated otherwise. Only six late assignments will be accepted per semester. Of course, students will be permitted to make up missed assignments when there is an excused absence from class. They will be given one extra class period for each day of absence. Also, when a student is absent, any homework that was due on the day of the absence must be turned in immediately upon their return to class.

EXAMS AND QUIZZES: There will be two to three quizzes and one test per unit. Also, there will be a final exam at the end of each semester. If you miss a quiz or test it is your responsibility to communicate with me.

- If a student misses a quiz or test due to an *excused* absence, he or she will be required to make it up within 2 "business" days upon returning to school.
- If a student misses the day before a test (that is, they miss the review), they must still take the test with the rest of the class

CHEATING POLICY: Any student caught cheating will receive *zero* points for that particular assignment, quiz, or exam. A referral may also be given. Cheating includes, but is not limited to: using cheat sheets, talking during an assessment, helping a classmate work out a problem, having a mobile phone out or use of a phone during any class assignment or assessment.

CLASSROOM POLICIES:

General Class Rules

Come prepared (notebook, pencil,etc) Do not talk while teacher is talking Work only on current assignment No food or drinks (water is ok) No applying cosmetics or nail polish Do not use profanity No electronic devices without teacher approval

Consequences:

Call Home, Confiscation, and/or Detention

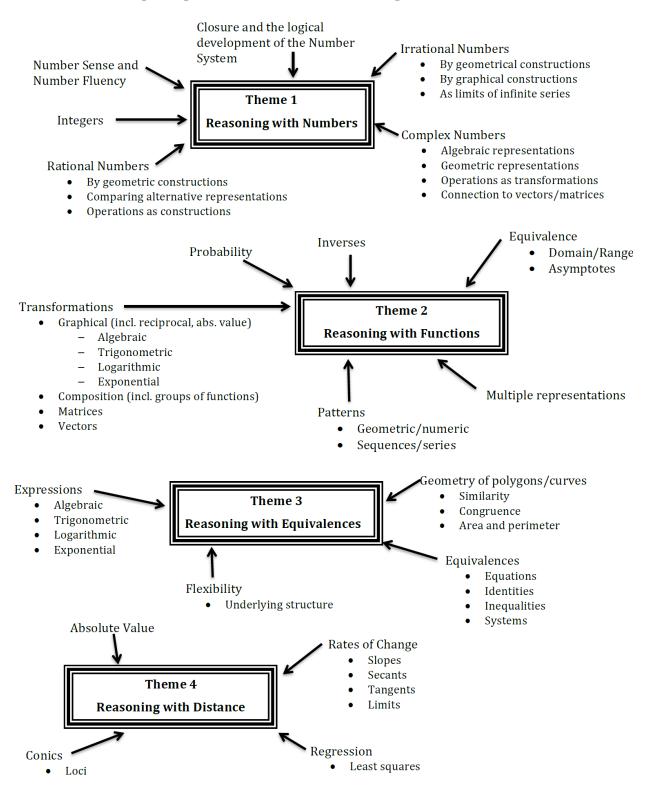
Major Offenses

Leaving classroom without permission Defiance Throwing objects Verbal abuse of another person Cheating Fighting Using phone during a quiz or exam

Consequences:

Immediate removal from classroom, Referral, Call Home, and/or further discipline by administration.

Concept Map of Mathematical Reasoning With Connections





Dear Parents and Guardians,

It's my pleasure to have your child in my math class this year. Please take the time to read the course syllabus with him or her. MRWC (Math IV) covers many objectives and will require a great deal of effort from each student. In order to do well, students must attend class on a regular basis, complete all assignments, and study for each quiz and exam. They may also arrange study time with me before or after school. This year, I am implementing a ZERO TOLERANCE PHONE policy in my classroom. Please encourage student success by supporting this policy.

Also, homework will be assigned on a regular basis. If your student states that they finished their homework in class, ask to see it, as I won't collect it early. For your convenience, assignment calendars will be posted on my school website (not Haiku) at the beginning of each unit. The calendars will list all assignments as well as the dates of all tests and quizzes. Online grades are usually updated once a week.

I encourage my students and their parents to communicate with me as often as possible. You may call or e-mail me at school (emails receive the quickest response). I will be more than happy to answer any questions you have.

Back to School Night will be on September 10th. I look forward to seeing you there!