

Mrs. Pillers' Syllabus

AACT 2020-2021

Algebra 2, Probability-Statistics, and Calculus

First, and foremost, I am so excited to have you as my student! These are uncertain times for all of us that require flexibility, patience and willingness to learn new things. Please know that I am unclear on every detail but will do my best to keep you informed and answer your questions ASAP.

Best way to contact me if you have a question/concern is via email: vpillers@washoeschools.net. I will be using Microsoft Teams and Remind to contact you.

Hybrid/Distance learning schedule/structure

AACT is continuing with our block bell schedule as follows:

	M, T, Th, F	Wednesday
Period 1/5	8:00 – 9:25	8:00 – 9:20
Period 2/6	9:30 – 10:55	9:25 – 10:45
Lunch	10:55 – 11:25	10:45 – 11:25
Period 3/7	11:30 – 12:55	11:30 – 12:50
Period 4/8	1:00 – 2:25	12:55 – 2:15
Enrichment	2:25 – 2:55	No Enrichment

Students that are attending via the hybrid model will attend school in-person every other day. On days that students are “distance learning”, they will be “tuning in” to my class via “zoom” or working on a digital assignment. The digital assignments will require students to have access to a device and the internet. **I highly encourage students to bring their device to school if possible.** Although most tasks can be completed on a smartphone, a laptop or tablet would be very beneficial. I have paper packets for my Calculus and Algebra 2 students for Unit 1. If you are a 100% distance learner, please let me know if you would like to stop by to pick up the packet or if you would like me to mail it to you. The materials are also available in our class OneNote if you would prefer to use an electronic copy or print out your own packet.

***Please contact the school office if you need to check out a laptop or assistance accessing wifi.*

Hybrid schedule for the first week of school (see school website for full calendar):

Monday, August 17: Periods 1,2,3,4 Group A comes to school; Group B distance learning
Tuesday, August 18: Periods 1,2,3,4 Group B comes to school; Group A distance learning
Wednesday, August 19: Periods 5,6,7,8 Group A comes to school; Group B distance learning
Thursday, August 20: Periods 5,6,7,8 Group B comes to school; Group A distance learning
Friday, August 21: Periods 1,2,3,4 Group A comes to school; Group B distance learning

Hybrid/Distance learning expectations

Calculus students are expected to attend every class either in-person or via zoom. I will be covering new topics each class. With that in mind, please keep the timeslot for your Calculus period available each time it meets. In other words, my 1st period students need to plan on doing Calculus from 8-9:25am on all 1st period days (whether the A group or B group is at school). My 6th period students need to plan on doing Calculus from 9:30-10:55 on all 6th period days (whether the A group or B group is at school). Please note, that I am fine if students from 1st period want to join in on the 6th period zoom or vice-versa if their schedule allows it.

Algebra 2 and Prob/Stats students will have a little more flexibility regarding their “distance learning” days. I plan to zoom every class, every day, but I will be repeating my lesson for my B group students that I presented to my A group students. My expectation is that when students are on a “distance learning” day, they will be completing digital assignments. Those assignments may come from Edgenuity, Delta Math, Edpuzzle, or other online platforms.

For students that are 100% distance learning, they will need to “tune in” via zoom with the A group. Please plan your schedule accordingly, so that you can attend the zoom lesson.

Supply list

It will be imperative that students have their **own personal supplies** and do not rely on borrowing from my classroom set. Please bring with you to every class:

1. Binder with paper for notes and classwork
2. Pencils, pens, highlighter *Please note that students will not be able to use my pencil sharpener, so either bring your own sharpener or use mechanical pencils
3. Dry erase marker(s) and sock to use as an eraser. Desktops have a dry erase surface that students can use, but I will not be providing dry erase pens.
4. Earbuds
5. Device – smartphones will work ok, but if you have your own tablet or laptop please bring it. Also, remember any charging cords that might be necessary.
6. Calculator (cell phone calculator is ok, but you cannot go wrong with the Casio fx-115ES Plus for a basic calculator!) If you are looking to get a graphing calculator, then I recommend the TI-nSpire CX CAS.

Grading

Grading scales and assessment/quiz strategies are still being worked out. Please be patient. Students will have assignments, quizzes and unit exams. Most likely, exams will take place during students’ distance learning time when they are away from the classroom. I will update infinite campus (IC) frequently, so please keep up to date by checking IC regularly.

Questions????

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