Welcome to Programming 1 - CE CS 1400

This is a 4 credit college course. A rule of thumb for college courses is that 1 hour minimum of out of class work (studying, assignments, etc...) is required per credit hour.

Classroom Policies

- Games: Gaming is not allowed on school computers. If you're done with the current assignment, you should work on another course's work.
- Tardies: If I am in the middle of a lesson, please take your seat quickly and quietly and remind me to change the attendance when I am finished. Otherwise, remind me to change the attendance to show that you were not absent.

- Headphones: Being a project based classroom, I play music often during work time and allow students to listen to their own. There are also times where video tutorials are assigned and they're much easier to listen to through personal headphones instead of the whole class listening through their own computer speakers. I do not have extra headphones to loan out, you must bring your own.

Grading Policy

- Late Assignments: All late assignments will earn a maximum of 50%. Passes for late work **will only be accepted** in the same quarter it was assigned in.
- Late Passes: At the beginning of the course, students will receive 5 late passes. Students can exchange 1 pass to turn in a late assignment without penalty or to correct an assignment for full

credit. Any remaining passes can be exchanged for 2 extra credit points on the state test.

- Improving an Assignment Score: Assignments can be resubmitted for up to 50% credit, or 100% if a late pass is used. Mr. Simonsen does not give out extra credit assignments.
- Students with **excused** absences need to meet with me to determine a new due date for missed assignments.
- CE Courses Only: First and Third quarter grades will serve as Weber State's "Midterm" grade and will carry to the next quarter. The grade you receive at the end of Second or Fourth quarter will be the final grade you received in the course, not an average of the two quarters. Keep in mind that most colleges require a "C" for a course to count toward a degree.

Talk to Me

I am able to make reasonable accommodations for students with or without disabilities. If for any reason you feel that you are struggling in my class come see me before school, after school, during lunch, or send me an email. It is my job to ensure that you learn and my goal that you have fun while doing it. I am always open to suggestions on how to improve. I do not have standing office hours, but am available to appointments. You can try just stopping by, but I may not be able to give you my full attention without an appointment.

Course Breakdown

Assignments

Class time will primarily be used for learning programming in Java and interactive assignments. These are intended to be completed in class, but there may be some overflow into homework for some students. Each week there will be programming assignments, pass the unit tests

to earn credit for the assignment. Assignments may have hidden tests that will be worth around 25% of the assignment. If you program has been written and tested properly, you'll pass the hidden tests. Assignments will always be due Sunday at 11:59pm. These make up 80% of your grade.

State Test

This college class covers a state high school CTE course and we'll be taking the associated exam. The state considers you to be highly proficient in a subject if you get an 80% or higher on their test, and you earn a certificate that some colleges will accept for additional college credit. Due to this, I curve the test so that an 80% is a 100% in my grade book; anything over 80% is extra credit. This makes up 20% of your final grade.