

Applied Computer Programming (“Buffet”)
Mr. Poole
Class Rules
2021-2022

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for your interest in this class. Computer programming is an exciting ever changing field and I look forward to our adventures together. This class is intended to be a relaxed, fun, low stress option for learning about how to code. If the student desires a more demanding alternative, they have the freedom to switch into the AP course which is taught concurrently (so no schedule change required).

I have important information about the course outlined below. Please review.

1. Grades

The course is self-paced. Course grades will be determined from weekly quizzes, a final exam and labs.

- Weekly Quizzes and Final (60%): Every Friday there will be a quiz.
- Labs (40%): Each student must complete computer labs. Since the class is self-paced, the number of completed labs will vary from student to student. I encourage students to discuss problems/approaches with each other.

2. Behavior

Students are expected to show respect to me and their peers. Examples of misbehavior are (but not limited to):

1. Bullying another student
2. Cheating - talking during a quiz
3. Cheating - copying labs from a neighbor
4. Cheating by using a memory stick without my permission
5. Removing/altering files from another student's folder
6. Eating while using my new laptop
7. Inappropriate use of photographs

Any “Cheating” violations will, at a minimum, result in the student's grade being determined solely by their quiz average.

3. Attendance

This class has no homework! Consequently, students must use the allotted 55 minutes wisely and efficiently. Examples of misuse are sleeping, doing homework from other

classes, excessive socializing during class. Such behavior will affect the student's lab grade.

4. Computer Rules

All work should be done in your own folder that is located on the desktop. Students should not read or write to any other location on the machine. No external games should be downloaded or copied from another device such as a CD or a memory stick. Do not change System Settings, for example the desktop background. Violation of any of these offenses will result in loss of the new laptop usage.

5. Remote Learning Platforms

Google Classroom (GC) will be the cornerstone platform for the class. Students will submit and receive class communications through GC. Eventually, the instant messaging software, Discord, will be added to the suite of tools for class communications. This addition will be used for extra help, "office hours" and community building.

6. Contacting Me

If you would like more information on the course, please go to my website (www.jacobpoole.net) and click on the "School" link. If you would like to contact me, please send an email to jpoole@gusd.net. Please DO NOT leave a message on the school phone.

Thank you for your interest in this class and reading this letter,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jacob Poole". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a stylized "P".

Please acknowledge your reading and understanding of these rules by signing and returning the form below.

Thank You!

Student Name _____

Student Signature _____

Parent Signature _____

Parent Email _____