

Computer Science - Expectations



YOU ARE ACCOUNTABLE FOR YOUR SUCCESS IN THIS COURSE.

Absenteeism

Absenteeism is the sole responsibility of the student (school related or otherwise). There is a direct correlation between the success in this course and a student's presence in class, therefore, I caution you to attend class regularly. Where students know that they will be absent in advance, they should notify the instructor before the absence occurs. Where work is required, the student is compelled to provide written notice to the instructor at least one week prior to the date of departure. In all other cases, it is the responsibility of the student to follow-up with peers and catch-up on work missed. You are to assume that you will write tests/quizzes on the day of your return, and possibly at lunch or afterschool. **All assignments must be submitted on the date due whether you are at school or not – otherwise late penalties will apply.**

Should an absence be due to illness, the instructor reserves the right to ask for documentation (ie. in the form of an original physician's note, a note from your parents etc.) immediately following the absence. If the absence is due to truancy and results in a test or assignment being missed, a mark of **zero** will be recorded. Truancy includes missing either all or part of a school day (i.e. if you are in the school at any time during the day and not in this class **you are considered truant**).

Lateness

Students are expected to come to class on time, that is, before the bell rings. Students are also responsible for any missed work. Habitual lateness will result in consequences as outlined by the classroom teacher. If this persists, students will be sent to the VP and dealt with in the office.

Late Assignments

Late assignments (without special consideration from the instructor) will be penalized 5% per day for two days and then a mark of zero will be assigned. Presentations will be performed on the date agreed upon, even if group members are absent. You will be evaluated on your portion of the presentation, while those absent will receive a grade of zero. (This is a terrible position in which to put your peers; be respectful of your classmates and their ambition to succeed.) Please ensure that you choose your groups carefully.

Plagiarism

All work that you submit will be devoid of plagiarism. A full explanation will be discussed in class. Please note that the onus is on the student to prove that an assignment is not plagiarized. Considering this, it is crucial that you keep meticulous notes on websites and all other sources used, and that all draft work is kept. **You have been warned:** the instructor reserves the right to request drafts at any time and for any assignment. Please also note that I am available for extra help.

Electronic Devices - "OFF AND AWAY"

The classroom is reserved for learning. The presence of any type of electronic devices, such as cell phones, are not permitted in class. The teacher reserves the right to take any electronic device away from the student. Once this is done, the device is passed along to the student's VP. The student then will have to get the device back from the office on their own time.

Uniform

As students within this school you are all aware of the required uniform. You are responsible for coming to class in full uniform including proper shoes, pants, dress shirt and sweater. Any class time, including time spent on assignments, tests and quizzes missed while dealing with the issue of the uniform will not be reimbursed to you upon your return to the class.

General Classroom Expectations

I expect that you will come to class prepared and that you will respect your peers as well as your instructor. Ultimately, your success in this course will come in the same fashion that success in any aspect of your life does: get involved, develop a passion to thrive, and put forth your greatest effort. I look forward to working with each one of you during the semester.

