Welcome to Test Prep!

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**Objective:** Test Prep is a course that allows students to prepare for the college entrance tests with a primary focus on the SAT and M-STEP tests. This class is designed for Juniors and Seniors who want to score well and/or improve on their SAT and M-STEP tests scores. This particular course will focus on the English, Math, Reading, Science, Social Studies, and Writing portions of the tests. You will rotate every three weeks.

In this course, some of the items we will be touching on will be:

English- Mr. Linares

- Review reading, grammar, and writing skills to better prepare you for success in current high school classes and future college courses.

- Learn and perfect reading strategies such as previewing, skimming and scanning, and identifying vocabulary in context.

- Learn and apply the writing process to so you can effectively brainstorm, outline, draft, and edit your own writing.

Science- Mr. Maxwell: http://mrmaxwellchem.weebly.com/ Click tab for Test Preparation

-M-STEP testing

-Reading and comprehension of science and social studies literacy

-Interpreting visual charts and graphs

-Comparing and contrasting scientific arguments

Math- Mr. Pye

-Interpreting visual charts and graphs

-Four basic operations on data

-Trigonometry, geometry, and algebra

-How to read and effectively solve story problems

**Daily Supplies:**

Pen/pencil

Notebook

Folder/binder

Calculator

It is your responsibility to have all your supplies on a daily basis.

**Late Work:**

I understand that life does happen, however there will be consequences. You may turn in homework late for ten percent off for every day an assignment is late. All major assessments and projects must be turned in on the due date. Any major assessments not turned in the day it is due will automatically result in half credit. I will accept major essays and projects up to five days late. Once five days has passed, I will no longer accept your work.

**Grading:**

**Grades for this course will be updated on PowerSchool every three weeks.**

Grading will follow the ABTHS grading system:

Grade Range Grade Range Grade Range

A 93-100% C+ 78-79% D- 60-62%

1. 90-92% C 73-77% E 0-59%

B+ 88-89% C- 70-72%

B 83-87% D+ 68-69%

B- 80-82% D 63-67%

Your grades will be based on the following:

**50% Assessment** (example: Assignments and/or test)

**20% Quizzes**

**20% Class work/homework**

**10% Attendance/participation**

Your class grade will account for 80% of your grade and your final/midterm will account for 20% of your grade. Please note that 10% of your grade is solely based off your attendance and participating in the classroom.

*Due to the comprehensive nature of this syllabus, I reserve the right to change it at any time to accommodate the needs of the students or pedagogical requirements.*

Please print and sign your name below, thus agreeing to comply with all classroom responsibilities and procedures. Please review this at home with your parent or guardian. Bring this back with your parent or guardians signature by FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2015 for your first 5 points in class.

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I acknowledge, comprehend, and agree to comply with all aspects of this syllabus at all times.

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I acknowledge the content of this syllabus and expectations of my student and I am committed to aid my student as necessary in achieving success in this class.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_