

## Honors Geometry Class Expectations

Welcome to Honors Geometry! I hope you will find this class both interesting and challenging. It will probably be very different from any other math class you've taken before - Geometry is a very different subject from the Algebra you studied last year. You will have a great experience in this class as you approach it with a goal to learn and a willingness to do whatever it takes to meet that goal. Also...

1. Be on time to class every day! When the bell rings to begin class, be ready to start! Have all necessary materials with you (textbook, notebook, writing utensil, calculator).
2. Use of calculators is permitted for all homework assignments, class work, quizzes, or tests unless otherwise stated. It is strongly recommended that you use a calculator from the TI-84 family, as it has many functions specific to topics that will be studied this year and in future math classes; it is the one calculator that will be used in class demonstrations. However, while owning this calculator would be a tremendous help to you in this class, subsequent math classes, and important standardized tests, it is not absolutely necessary to own a calculator in order to succeed in this class. Note: it is the TI-84 model for which my classroom computer is equipped with an emulator, so I can most easily teach you how to use that calculator.
3. Homework should be completed *with all work shown*. It will periodically be collected or checked in class.
4. You will be quizzed or tested regularly in this class, with chapter tests scheduled at the end of each major unit. Quizzes can occur on any day without my previously announcing them, and will usually be short and focus only on recent material. Chapter tests will be announced in advance.
5. Keep a notebook – this should serve as a sort of journal of what you've learned in class all year. Don't just take notes – refer back to it frequently to review and remind yourself of past material and skills learned. (You'll be thankful for this at year's end!) Your notes should include (at least) any key terms, concepts, or examples presented by the teacher. They should include any handouts given out by the teacher (because of this, a notebook with pockets is preferable but not required). You might also include past homework.
6. It is your responsibility to catch up on any material that you might miss due to absence. You need to come to me, not the other way around. If you miss class, do not delay in catching up as soon as possible.
7. Extra help is available to you: by visiting the DVHS Math Lab, or by arranging to come for help with me. I often help staff the Math Department's Peer Math Tutoring Lab that runs Wednesdays after school October to May, and I work in the Math Lab during Period 7. Other teachers also staff the Math Lab so it's available every period of the day.
8. My homework hotline announcement can be reached by dialing 296-3656, extension 7334.
9. My website is [captainmath.net](http://captainmath.net) and frequently I will be posting items there for your to use for class.

—Mr. DeVizia