Math Expectations and Explanations
(for grade 11)

Phones:
Our school is trying to support us all in not overusing our phones (it’s not easy). Phones should be away and in airplane mode. If there is an opportunity to use phones (Kahoot, Desmos, etc), I will let you know and we will pull them out at that time. Thanks!

Washroom Privileges:
You should not be heading out to the washroom every class. You should not be spending inordinate amounts of time outside of class when you do go. And your phone should not be leaving the room with you when you head out to the washroom. Sorry!

Homework Assignments / Projects:
The most important thing you can do to be successful in this class is to do your homework…so do it (and do it on time)! Copying other students’ homework will only lead to bad test marks. Copying from the Internet (projects) will lead to a mark of “0” and a referral to the office. Say goodbye to scholarships and reference letters. Can’t say you haven’t been warned…

You must hand in your homework on the scheduled day of the chapter test, otherwise you will not be given any homework marks for the chapter (the marks will be omitted).

Quizzes:
We will have many short quizzes (10 – 15 marks) in this class (2 – 3 every chapter). You will always have the opportunity to increase your quiz marks. Demonstrate that you have learned from your mistakes (you will do this by showing me your corrections). Then, I will give you a small number of similar questions to do on your own. Get them correct and your mark will increase. In this way, it is possible to get 100% on every quiz.

Tests:
There will be a larger test (25 – 40 marks) at the end of each chapter. You will be given plenty of warning.

The “25 cent Book”:
This is now known as the “Kat Policy”. You can – if you wish! – use a small notebook in which you write… whatever you want! The book is provided by me (you can even buy one today!) and will cost you a whole 25 cents! You may NOT share your book with other students, either in your class or in other Blocks I teach.

Test Postponements:
Unlike previous years, I am not allowing any postponements (they were basically a disaster and led to students falling way behind in their work. Stressful for everyone!)

Retests:
You can retest as many tests as you like this year!! HOWEVER, this will rely on you giving a truly determined effort in this course. In other words, I would expect to see all your homework done, you coming to get extra help outside class time, you doing better than “pathetic” on the original test, etc. A less than determined effort means NO retests!

If you get a lower mark on a retest you are stuck with the lower mark. But you can rip it up instead of giving it to me for marking.