## **PHYSICS COURSE POLICY**

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MY SCHEDULE: BEFORE 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 **AFTER** Phy 6:13 Phy Prep Phy prep lunch Phy Phy till 4:13 email: pkoniche@pointschools.net office phone: 715-345-5601 cell phone: 715-323-3256

**Background:** Congratulations! You made a great choice when you enrolled in Physics if you want the course that helps you think for yourself, if you want the one course colleges look for to see if you can handle college, if you want to development challenging thinking skills, etc. Give Physics a boy/girl and get back a MAN/WOMAN.

**Units include:** Motion, Friction, Net Force (vectors), 2-D Motion, Momentum, Center of Mass, Energy, Electricity/Magnetism, Optics (reflection), Optics (refraction), and Waves.

**Materials:** A <u>trig. Calculator</u>, a writing utensil (pen, pencil), a <u>notebook</u> for notes with a section for things to do on a date and a folder to keep handouts in order. Also, keeping a list of demonstrations for each unit, another lists of labs (purpose, conclusion) for each unit, and a folder for keeping handouts in order.

**Evaluation:** Straight points, however about 30% of the points will come from homework, about 30% labs, and 40% exams.

Grades will be determined according to this scale:

100-94%	Α	76-74%	C
93-90%	A-	73-70%	C-
89-87%	B+	69-67%	D+
86-84%	В	66-64%	D
83-80%	B-	63-60%	D-
79-77%	C+	59-0%	F

Class Expectations: Report to class each day on-time and prepared (calculator, pencil, notebook, folder, handouts in order, homework completed/ready to hand in).

- 1). Actively engage in the activities and/or discussions during class time and lab time.
- 2). Show consideration for each individual in the room.
- 3). Respect materials and equipment in the physics classroom.

## **Class Expectations: (cont.)**

- 4). Adhere to the SPASH Handbook Rules
- 5). Seek help as needed for concepts that are troubling you.
- 6). VOLUNTEER...ASK QUESTIONS ... SEEK HELP...
- 7). Electronic gadgets (cell phones, IPods, etc.) turned off and put away unless I indicate otherwise.
- 8). Missing a class:
  - If at all possible, notify me ahead of time. Arrangements can be made to make up what's missed.
  - Check with a classmate for notes and check calendar to see what you missed.
    Turn in any assignments due that were collected during your absence.
  - Labs can usually be made up within one week. An extra set-up is typically in the back resource area; you will need to bring someone with you who knows how to do the lab.
- 9). Seat scrambles at the beginning of each unit; lab groups will often be determined randomly.
- 10). Need a number 2 pencil or two for scan-tron test.
- 11). Textbook policy:

## Our textbook is on-line. Just go to the address:

my.hrw.com

username: spashphysics or pkonichek1

password: gonavy and the password for username pkonichek1 is k4x9n

After textbooks are handed out, you do not need to bring them to class but there is a high probability that I will assign problems to be done from the textbook.

## **COURSEWORK REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1). You may access your grades online at the district's Skyward Student Access. Let me know if I goofed up. Keep me honest please!
- 2). Extra Credit is made available often but can only count 10% or less of the total points for that grading period (quarter).
- 3). Assignments lose 5% for each day late. No work accepted after end of each unit.