



Intro to Computer Science 4653



This course is an introduction to computer science for students with no prior experience. Students learn to program in JavaScript, a professional language used across the web, while starting off in a fun, friendly and accessible environment. Computer programming is done through CodeHS. CodeHS is an online program that helps high schools teach computer science. CodeHS is built specifically for high school students with no previous background. It provides step-by-step curriculum with short videos, example code and programming exercises to learn from. Students watch their code come to life in the browser without having to download anything.

Guidelines and Requirements

MATERIALS:

- 3-ring binder
- Binder dividers
- Loose leaf binder paper
- Pencils
- Laptop computer (Provided)



BINDER:

All students must keep a binder for class to hold all handouts and assignments.

TARDIES/UNEXCUSED ABSENCES:

1. Attendance is mandatory according to school and state regulations.
2. Due to the nature of the material covered in this class, it is highly recommended that you do not miss class.
3. Absences and tardies will be handled in accordance with the school policies as outlined in the MHS student handbook (available on the school website.)

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

1. Be prepared to work when class starts.
2. Complete all assignments prior to class on the day they are due.
3. Actively participate in classroom discussions and activities.
4. Be RESPECTFUL of your, and others, time, feelings, opinions, and property.
5. Put forth maximum effort at ALL times.
6. Ask for help when you need it!

Classroom Policies and Procedures

1. Enter quietly and be seated immediately, ready to work.
2. Copy the day's agenda onto your calendar.
3. Get your assigned laptop and login to the appropriate site(s).

Turning in Assignments

1. Homework will be collected daily. The majority of homework assignments will be done on the CodeHS website.
2. When using Google classroom, be certain to hit the submit/turn in button when finished.
3. **NO LATE WORK WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

Grade Reports

1. Grade reports will be distributed to each student every 2 weeks via paper copy and email.
2. You are expected to get it signed by a parent/guardian and then returned to me on Mondays.
3. This goes into the grade book as a graded assignment.

Restroom

1. Barring medical reason, restroom access will be limited to emergencies only during the class period. Any restroom usage beyond the allotted passes shall be reflected in a deduction of Nest Points!

Food/Drink

1. Students are allowed, and encouraged, to bring a water bottle to class and drink from them whenever needed.
2. All other food or drink should be reserved for passing periods or lunch.
3. Gum chewing is **PROHIBITED** on campus at all times. Nest points will be lost if violated!

Phones and Electronics

1. Before entering class, you should silence all phones, iPods, or other electronic devices and store them in your ZIPPED backpack unless specifically instructed by the teacher to do otherwise.
2. Students are free to use their cell-phone at the following times:
Before 7:55AM because UNITY starts at 7:55
12:05-12:55 -- Lunch (or whenever your lunch period is)
After 3:55PM as school is out.
3. Failure to comply with this policy will result in consequences consistent with the school's policies.

Grading Policy

1. Grades will be available for viewing on Aeries.
A link to the gradebook may be found in the "Quick Links" section located on the MHS home page. Visit: <http://tracylc.net/millennium.html> and click the link titled "AERIES GRADEBOOK"
2. The semester grades will be separated into categories and weighted as follows:

Notes, Participation, Class Work	25%
Tests and Quizzes	25%
Projects & Homework	25%
Mid-term and SWO	10%
Final	15%

*Mid-terms and Finals are Cumulative

Extra Help!

I am here to help you, ***not to fail you!*** However, it is your responsibility to seek help and to ask questions. Millennium High School offers after-school tutoring at Homework Support on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm.

Technology in the Classroom

I will be using the following websites and apps in my classroom as a tool for both students and parents. If there is ever an absence by you from my class, please use my website to catch up on calendars, notes, and homework assignments.

codehs.com Use this link to access your CodeHS accounts. Each student will sign up at **codehs.com**

www.mathwithgriffin.weebly.com Use this link to access my website. This is updated everyday and has our daily calendars, notes from the day, and homework assignments.

www.remind.com Use this link to sign up for homework text messaging reminders. The text messages will go out to each student that signs up everyday at 5:00 pm that reminds students of their homework assignments. Parents are welcome to sign up for the reminders as well. The number that you send the text to **81010** or **(209)751-4244** and then you will enter the class code which is **@gf9k4**. Please respond with your full name as printed on class rosters (no nicknames please).

www.classroom.google.com Use this link to access our Google classroom. It is directly linked to your tracyle.net gmail accounts and we will use this site throughout the year. The class code is **ufk1k2**.

Signing up for all class accounts is MANDATORY and will be reflected in your grade!



CONTACT INFORMATION:

If any student or parent needs to get in touch with me about anything, please feel free to contact me using one of the following methods:

Email: tgriffin@tracyle.net
Phone: (209)831-5242

Parents may leave me a voicemail or an email and I will do my best to contact you as soon as possible.



Dear Parents and Students,

Please review this syllabus together and return this sheet back to me. The class syllabus should be read thoroughly by both students and parents, and placed in the binder. If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

My goal is to provide each student with a positive learning environment and the skills necessary to succeed in school and his/her chosen career. Parents, please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns about my class. **I will email out to each parent/guardian a grade report every two weeks on Friday. Please sign and return it with your student the following Monday.** Parents/guardians may also respond to the email. Thank you for all of your support!

Students and parents, please sign below to acknowledge that you have read and understand the rules and expectations for my class. Let's have a great year together!

(Print student's name)

(Student's signature and date)

(Parent's printed name)

(Parent signature and date)

(Parent's email)

(Parent's phone number)

