



9th Grade Disclosure

Welcome to your freshman year of high school! This disclosure is designed to help you know and understand the expectations and policies for your ninth-grade year. In this disclosure, you will find information about the class guidelines, in terms of—

- Responsibilities
- Expectations
- Citizenship Grades
- Academic Integrity
- Late Work
- Absent Work

EXPECTATIONS

West Jordan Middle has high expectations for you. We want you to show respect for yourself and others, act responsibly and do what is right, and practice safety in all places and at all times. This means that—

Respect

- Treat people, personal belongings, and school property with respect and care.
- Speak and listen at appropriate times.
- Use appropriate language.
- Take care of personal needs before you come to class- no hall passes will be given the first fifteen or last fifteen minutes of class

Responsibility

- You are on time and in your seat ready to work when the bell rings.
- You have a pencil or pen, notebook or folder, colored pencils, and any other materials needed for the day.
- You are learning and productive in class, working well with your classmates and completing required assignments.

Safety

- You help keep the classroom, hallways, restrooms, and the cafeteria clean by picking up after yourself.
- You do not eat or drink (except water from water bottles) in the hallways and classrooms.
- You keep your hands, feet, and mouth from distracting and harming others.
- You use personal and class materials, objects, and equipment in the classroom as instructed.

REWARDS

1. Self-respect and self-discipline
2. Class and school wide incentives
3. Positive note home to parent/guardian

CONSEQUENCES (3 steps)

1. Think Time/Teacher Intervention
2. Contact parent
3. Referral to administration

GRADING EXPECTATIONS

80% of your grade will be based upon assessments and other teacher-specified items that showcase mastery. **20%** of the grade will be based upon practice activities and assignments that help you build the skills and content knowledge needed to master the objectives of the class.

STANDARDS-REFERENCED GRADING

As stated previously, academic grades will be broken into two categories, assessments (80%) and practice (20%). All work will be evaluated by measuring your proficiency with curriculum standards. You will then earn a 1-4 rating. You will only receive a 0 if you don't attempt the assessment or practice assignment.

4 = Advanced

2 = Approaching

3 = Proficient (Meets Standard)

1 = Beginning

While your proficiency levels will be measured on a scale of 1-4, you will still be given a letter grade on Skyward. Your grades will be posted regularly and are accessible through the school web page, so you are responsible for seeing that all assignments are turned in and for knowing about any missing work.

CITIZENSHIP

In addition to an academic grade, you will earn a citizenship grade in each class.

Learning Goal: Students will be respectful, responsible, and safe.	
Action Statements: Respect <ul style="list-style-type: none">● I treat myself, others, personal belongings, and school property appropriately.● I actively listen when others are speaking and clearly communicate my own ideas.● I contribute to a positive atmosphere. Responsibility <ul style="list-style-type: none">● I am on time and ready to work when the bell rings.● I participate in class and work well with my classmates.● I take responsibility for my own success by completing required assignments. Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none">● I control myself and behave appropriately for the situation that I am in.● I use positive statements with my words, actions, and tone of voice.● I use class materials, objects, and equipment safely and return them when finished.	Proficiency Ratings
	4 I do these all the time.
	3 I do these most of the time.
	2 I do these some of the time.
	1 I do not do these.
	Citizenship Grades 4 = H Honorable 3 = S Satisfactory 2 = N Needs Improvement 1 = U Unsatisfactory

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

You are expected to demonstrate academic integrity by performing to the best of your academic abilities and by being honest in all your schoolwork. If you copy another student's work, share your work with another student to copy, or in any way try to take credit for work you didn't do (plagiarism), you will receive a zero grade on the assigned work and a lower citizenship grade.

ABSENT WORK

You are responsible for getting missed work when you return from an absence. Absent work policies differ by teacher. If you are absent for an extended period notify the WJMS counseling center. **NOTE:** *Any exceptions regarding absent work will need to be arranged with individual teachers and will be handled on an individual basis.*

LATE WORK

Before you can retake or revise an assessment, you must complete the practice work/assignments for that specific assessment. Points on assignments may be reduced if it is turned in late.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Electronic devices can be helpful or a distraction. For this reason, the rules for use may differ from class to class. Be sure to follow the rules posted in each of your classes and respect your teachers' guidelines at all times to avoid consequences.

WJMS POLICIES

School policies and expectations are listed on the school website, www.westjordanmiddle.org. You should familiarize yourself with these policies, since we will follow all of them.

SUPPLIES NEEDED

To be successful at WJMS, you need to be prepared every day. This means you should always bring the following items to class: Chromebook, earbuds/headphones, pencils, pens, papers, something to keep papers organized in (binder, folder, etc.), and a book to read. To ensure you are prepared for all of your classes be aware of each teacher's expectations as they may differ depending on the subject.

HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT

Ninth grade credits count toward high school graduation. West Jordan Middle School is committed to students earning credit for all four quarters of ninth grade. If you fail any classes, you will be enrolled in Platinum Pride Time the following quarter to recover the credit(s).

Note: *Individual teachers will provide subject specific disclosures*

9th Grade Disclosure Agreement

STUDENT

I have read and reviewed the ninth-grade disclosure with my parent/guardian. I understand the school expectations and policies, and I agree to follow them.

Student Name (please print)

Student Signature

Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN

As a parent/guardian, I have read and reviewed the ninth-grade disclosure with my student. I agree to support the school expectations and policies.

Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT INFORMATION

On occasion your student's teacher(s) may want and/or need to contact you. Please supply any email address or phone number (home, work, or cell) in the spaces below *where you might wish to be contacted*.

Email: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Preferred method of contact (please check one):

Email

Phone call

Text Message

Covid-19 Addendum Portion:

- If you live with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 you MUST notify WJMS and quarantine at home for the time recommended by the health department. If this happens please contact your teachers for homework as soon as possible.
 - Obey floor signs and safety precautions assigned by teachers and administrators.
 - You must use hand sanitizer before entering each classroom.
 - You must wear a mask/face covering that covers your mouth and nose at all times in the classroom and the hallways.
 - Exception: you may take quick drinks from your water bottle.
 - Put your backpack under your table/desk or chair to keep the aisles clear and safe.
 - Stay at your assigned seat unless you have permission to move to another area of the classroom.
 - Report COVID symptoms to your teacher immediately.
 - Follow classroom procedures for desk/chair sanitization each class period
 - If you leave a Chromebook at home (or yours is not charged), please visit the library *before school* to pick up one for the day to complete your work.
 - *Teachers will work with you if you are absent (Through Canvas), make sure to check in with them if you miss any school days!*
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