

Interior Design I Syllabus
Myers Park High School
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Design is not just what it looks like and feels like. Design is how it works.

-Steve Jobs

Course Objectives

Interior Design I is a 1-credit foundation course for high school students in Family and Consumer Sciences Education. This course focuses on a foundation study of the housing and interior industry.

Topics Include

- Career opportunities in the Interior Design Industry
- Individual and Family Housing Needs
- Legal Aspects of Housing
- Safety in Home Design
- Home Maintenance
- The Elements and Principle of Design
- Interior Background Treatments
- Home Furnishings
- Architectural Styles and Features

Supplies Students Will Need

- a 2" 3 ring binder with pockets in the front and back cover
 - students will keep all assignments inside this notebook as a main resource in class, such as Guided Notes, Study Guides, assignments from class, etc.
- colored pencils
- loose leaf paper for binder
- USB drive
 - students will use this to save their work in case we run out of time and then would need to work in another location
- pencils

Students are required to be prepared for every class period and bring the necessary supplies for the day. Students will be notified in advance if/when they need to bring other supplies for the classroom.

GRADING POLICIES

Quarter 1	40%
Quarter 2	40%
Final Exam	20%

Q1

Formal Assessments 60%
(tests, projects, quizzes)

Informal Assessments 20%
(homework, participation, assignments)

Midterm 20%

Q2

Formal Assessments 70%

Informal Assessments 30%

GRADE SCALE

A	90-100	4.0
B	80-89	3.0
C	70-79	2.0
D	60-69	1.0
F	<59	0.0

All grades will be posted in PowerSchool approximately a week after the assignment is due.

The teacher reserves the right to change any rules, policies, or procedures in the classroom at any time as seen fit for the students' benefit.

CLASSROOM RULES

1. Respect your peers, teachers, administration, and all equipment in the classroom. If you can not do so, a personal conference with Mrs. Acosta and/or an administrator will be arranged.
2. Cell phones will NOT be used in the classroom unless they are needed to research in the classroom. Cell phones will be collected at the beginning of class. Each student will have their own pocket to hold their phone during class. Students will be able to see their phone the whole class period and will have it returned at the end of the period. If you have a situation where you need your phone, please speak with Mrs. Acosta.
3. Students are expected to come to class ready to learn and participate in discussion. Students are not allowed to sleep in class and must be on task at all times. If you are not feeling well, please speak with Mrs. Acosta as soon as you are not feeling well so she can be aware of your needs.

4. Students will be allowed the first 10 minutes of class to have a snack. After the first 10 minutes, students will be asked to put their snack away in their backpacks or in the garbage. Water is allowed at all times during class but is not permitted while using the computers or other school provided technology..

Bathrooms

In the Technology Building, there is only 1 bathroom; 1 male and 1 female. Students are allowed to use the bathroom, with one student out at a time with the MPHS pass designated for the Technology Building. You are not to go to any other bathrooms on campus. This pass is ONLY for the Technology Building. Abuse of this privilege may result in a loss of the privilege.

Textbooks/Resources

We have 1 class set of textbooks in the classroom. Each student will have a textbook that will be used in class and are able to check out the book if needed; otherwise, the textbooks will remain in the classroom.

Students are able to bring their own computers to class everyday if they feel comfortable with their technology. We do use computers to research in class on a frequent basis and do have a class set of Chromebooks. Students are encouraged to bring their computers if they feel more comfortable with their own technology.

Tutoring/Appointments

I am available after school from 2.15-2.45 pm for tutoring on Mondays. You must let me know 1 day in advance to ensure I am available. This can be done face to face or through email. If your concerns are about grades, use this same procedure to schedule time to discuss your concerns after class. Questions about grading will not be answered during class, due to the fact this takes away from learning.

Assignments

All assignments are to be turned in at the beginning of class on the due date. Any assignments turned in at the end of class, without permission from Mrs. Acosta, will result in a point deduction. You will not be able to move forward to further projects until all previous assignments are turned in. You are given class time to finish most of the projects assigned in this class. You are to use your time wisely and get the work done in class so you don't have to do it outside of class. You will receive a 10 point deduction everyday an assignment is late. **I will NOT take assignments after a week.**

Absences

It is your responsibility to recover any work missed while you are not in class. Assignments will be posted online and given in class. It is your responsibility to ask a classmate what you have missed and check online. Students can look in the "While You Were Out" bin and find the date of the day missed. You should find hard copies of what we worked on in class.. If you need further

explanation of assignments, please contact me to make before or after class. You have 1 week, 5 school days, to make up any tests/quizzes that you have missed while out. **Tests will not be given after 5 school days.** You can make up tests during lunch, or after school and must be approved by Mrs. Acosta. You will not take a test unless I am confident that you can apply the information. Students who skip on days of a test will be written up and not allowed to take the test that was given.

Retests

Students are able to retest from each Unit Test that is taken in class. You must make a time to take your retest, either during lunch or after school. If you take a retest your highest grade you can receive is a **75** on the test. This grade will replace your previous grade if it is higher, if not the previous grade stands. You can only retest **ONE** time. Students are urged to study and do their best the first time of testing to avoid finding time for retests.

CMS POLICIES ON ATTENDANCE

PERIOD/DAILY ATTENDANCE:

Attendance is taken each period. A student must be present for more than 50% of the class/period to be counted present for that class.

A student must be in attendance for at least half of the school day in order to be counted present for that day. The student will be marked absent for the period/periods missed due to late check-in or early release.

EXCUSED SCHOOL TARDIES:

CMS excused tardies include a student's court appearance, medical/dental appointment, or illness. Students are to bring documentation when signing into school.

UNEXCUSED SCHOOL TARDIES:

Tardies not excused by CMS include car trouble, oversleeping, traffic, flat tires, missing the bus, lack of electricity, visits to the DMV, etc. An administrator will address subsequent unexcused tardies.

CLASS TARDIES/CONSEQUENCES

Students are tardy for class if they are not in their classroom prior to the final bell for each period. Students arriving to class after the final bell must report to LOCKOUT to sign in with their grade level administrator or designee.

EXCUSED ABSENCES

CMS excused absences include illness, medical/dental appointment, court appearance of the student, or death/funeral of immediate family member. Family emergencies are not considered excused.

RECOVERY OF ABSENCES

CMS regulations require students to have no more than 10 absences in a class for credit to be awarded in a course. Absences above the 10 class maximum must be “recovered” by making arrangements with the teacher of record in order for credit to be awarded in the class.

AN ABSENCE IS AN ABSENCE NO MATTER IF IT IS EXCUSED OR UNEXCUSED.