Mrs. Kline’s Class
2019–2020

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CLASS MATERIALS

Required:
☐ Pencils
☐ District iPad

Recommended:
☐ One pair of earbuds or headphones
☐ Stylus pens
☐ Coloring utensils

WHAT DOES EEE CLASS LOOK LIKE?

I am thrilled to have you in my class this year. EEE is designed to be a fun, educational, rigorously exciting elective that will keep your mind learning and growing. You’ll be learning about many different content areas in this class, all while focusing on essential skills that help you face the challenges of high school and beyond.

Expectations

1. Treat others with respect
2. Be responsible
3. Take initiative and be prepared
4. Turn in quality work
5. Listen quietly while others are speaking.
6. Participate
7. Put forth your best effort

Class Motto

IF IT DOESN’T CHALLENGE YOU, IT DOESN’T CHANGE YOU

GRADES

Parents and students are strongly encouraged to check the Home Access Portal on a weekly basis to view the most current grades for EVERY class.

EEE is graded on a Pass/Fail system, with points assigned for a variety of skills. Feedback is given in relation to a proficiency scale and/or rubric. Areas assessed include:

- Participation
- Independence
- Initiative
- Perseverance
- Problem solving
- Effort/Conduct
- Flexibility/Mindset
- Work completion
- Work quality

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**LATE / INCOMPLETE WORK**

Revisions are welcomed! Students are able to revise all graded assignments in order to show their best work, as that is a hallmark of improvement. Work may be completed at home or in class. Students and parents should check Home Access frequently to ensure all work is turned in. If an assignment is missing, Home Access will reflect that with a 0 until a quality product is turned in, graded, and scores are entered.

**ABSENTEE POLICY**

YES, WE DID SOMETHING IMPORTANT WHILE YOU WERE ABSENT. Students are responsible for checking in with the teacher upon returning to school, as well as accessing any work missed during an absence. Most assignments can be found on Schoology.

**HOMEWORK**

Most assignments given during the school year are designed with enough class time to complete a EEE quality final project, assuming hard work, few distractions, good effort, and motivation. However, there may be times when students should bring a task home in order to complete it or revise it for quality. Pacing matters! Assignments not on pace to be ready to turn in on the due date will be the student’s responsibility to complete for homework.

**TECHNOLOGY**

Students are assigned a district iPad to use during class time and for homework. All time spent on personal devices should be kept to a minimum and only used when necessary. Most assignments in EEE are digital, so having a fully charged iPad each night is a requirement. Be sure to bring earbuds to class each day. The use of technology in Columbia Public Schools is governed by the Technology Usage Agreement, which can be accessed here: [https://bit.ly/2M06VJQ](https://bit.ly/2M06VJQ)

**UNIT PROJECTS**

- **6th and 7th Grade:**
  - Stock Market Game
  - Middle Ages
  - Independent Study
  - Competition Building

- **8th Grade:**
  - Psychology
  - National History Day
  - Independent Study
  - Competition Building

**QUIZ BOWL**

Students will have the option to join our school Quiz Bowl team. Quiz Bowl is an academic trivia club sponsored by Mrs. Kline. Practices will be held after school to prepare for tournaments and challenges throughout the year. Dates TBA.

**GRADING PROCEDURES**

Students will be given a variety of assignments ranging from daily activities to long-term projects. Examples include: group and individual projects, tests, quizzes, and class work activities. Feedback is given verbally through conferences and in written form. Proficiency scales are used often to assess where a student is currently working within a standard. Points are given on completed work. All assignments are considered works-in-progress and are open to revisions until the student is satisfied that it displays his/her best EEE quality work.