

Morton Ranch High School

Multimedia 2009 - 2010

Course Syllabus

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Conference Time: 12:50 -1:40 M-F Room 2225

Course Topics – Students will become familiar with multimedia and its role in society. This class provides an introduction to key Internet, and multimedia technologies. Topics covered include layout and design, digital images, audio and video techniques, and animation.

Instructional Philosophy – Students will work on numerous real world projects related to multimedia. Students are expected to learn how to work independently and in a group setting. The multimedia course is a combination of lectures, self-paced instruction and hands-on labs. Students are expected to complete all assignments.

Objectives/Goals - The purpose of this course is to provide practical experience in writing, editing, layout, production and design, photography, video and sound.

Student Assessment –Assessment will be based on individual assignments, portfolios, project presentations, group participation, and demonstration of knowledge and skills concerning multimedia.

Grading System -

55% Major grades

Tests- Students will take one exam each six weeks. Exams are given on **Tuesdays and Thursdays**. Students who receive a score of 69 or lower have the option to retest. The highest grade possible after the retest is a 70. Retest days are on Wednesdays. Students should try to come in for tutorials before the retest.

Products – Students are required to complete one major product every six weeks. Depending on the product, they follow assignments are worth one or two major grades. The Multimedia products are as follows:

First Six Weeks – Computer Newsletter

Second Six Weeks – Technology Interview

Third Six Weeks – DVD Movie Cover with Commercial using Audacity

Fourth Six Weeks – College PowerPoint Presentation

Fifth Six Weeks – Student Portfolio

Sixth Six Weeks – Creating Movies using Movie Maker and Premiere

30% Minor grades

Minor grades consist of quizzes, multi-day assignments, group assignments and homework.

15% Other

Other grades consist of warm-ups, oral participation, and single day assignments.

Late Work/Homework Policy - Work needs to be turned in on time. Work turned in late will have the following deductions:

- 1 day late-** Minus 25, grade starts at a 75
- 2 days late-** Minus 50, grade starts with a 50
- 3 days late-** Minus 100, grade remains a 0

Make-up work - If you are absent, you will be required to make-up missed work. Every day a student is absent, two days are allowed to make-up missed work. Please see me in advance concerning extenuating circumstances.

Technology Application Tutorials – Room 2225

Mondays 7:10 - 7:28 a.m.

Mondays 2:35 -3:10 p.m.

Supplies - 1 Gigabyte USB drive
15 dollar fee for all Tech Apps classes.

Expectations-

- Be on time.
- Come prepared DAILY – bring notebook, pen, Make a habit of reading the board as you enter the class. Start on the warm-up.
- When I speak – 1. Put pens down 2. Stop 3. Listen

Computer Lab Procedures

- Food and/or drinks are not allowed in the lab.
- When in the lab, always report problems immediately.
- Stay in your seat.
- When you are finished with an assignment, you may work on your portfolio or other assignments. Please do not disturb other students.
- Follow Katy Acceptable Use Policies regarding technology.
- Follow all other Morton Ranch expectations.
- **Do not surf the internet, state which website you want to go.**
- **Do not check personal e-mails, download software, play games, etc.**
- **Do not go to My Space (or Face Book). Do not IM.**
- **Technology infractions will be reported to the APs' offices immediately!!!**

Consequences:

- 1-Warning
- 2-Teacher/student discussion after class—loss of classroom privileges
- 3-Call home
- 4-Visit to the principal

Awards for positive behavior:

- Parental contact
- Maverick bucks
- Chessy prizes