HONORS PHYSICS GRADING POLICY

1. Your letter grade will be based upon the percentage of the total possible points you earn during the grading period. The percentage scale is as follows:

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2. Points will be earned from the following:
   - Homework assignments
   - Laboratory Reports
   - Quizzes (both announced and unannounced)
   - Exams
   - Career Related Learning Experiences (CRLE's)
   - Journal (containing reflection pieces and labs)
   - Classroom participation
   - Your own Portfolio (Containing Projects)
   - Grades produced from other members of your groups.
   - Self-Assessment of your own work.

3. I will usually set the high score on any given piece of work at 100 % and then curve the rest of the scores to their respective percentages.

4. All assignments MUST be handed in on time, or you will suffer the penalty of loss of points at the rate of 20% per class day. This means if an assignment is due on Monday, if you turn it in the next class period, it will be worth 80% of the total points. If you turn it in 24 hours after the due date, it will be worth 90% of the total points. Once an assignment is over four class periods late, it is worth zero points, but you are STILL REQUIRED TO COMPLETE IT!!!! All assigned work will be required and it must all be turned in to pass the course. I realize this is an extremely strict policy, but it is important that we complete our work on time (that is a real expectation in the real world). Make it a point of getting the maximum value for the work that you accomplish in this course.

5. Students with excused absences will have one day per day excused absence to make up work before the penalty applies. It is the students’ responsibility to find out what they have missed on the first day back. Students will need to schedule a time to make up the work with me ASAP. Make sure you get your late work in quickly, so you do not get behind, we move at a fast pace in this course. If you fail to make up the work in a timely fashion, it will be registered as an empty blank and you will fail the semester. I will make every attempt not to give you busy work, I believe all of my assignments have value in doing them !!!!!!! Let’s work together to make sure that every student in this course achieves success in their learning and completes their work in a timely fashion.

6. No course credit can be earned unless all required work is turned in, 60 % of the total possible points accumulated, and the minimum competencies achieved.

7. It is your responsibility to be in class when the tardy bell rings. If you are tardy, please inform me as to why you were tardy, I view being tardy as a “cup half full” and focus on
the fact that you DID come to class. There is a school wide policy for tardies, in which after three tardies in the semester, the fourth tardy (and every tardy after that) will result in serving detention before school, or after school. You will serve the Tardy with me in the Cadre. Please make every attempt to get to class in a timely fashion.

8. I highly recommend you get to know others in the class since I am confident you will be spending a sizeable amount of time with each other. We will all need to collaborate to accomplish many of the tasks in front of us this year.

9. Whenever you get stuck, please do not hesitate to call me at 503.515.3590 (cell) or at home, 503.699.0304 (Please leave a message with a phone number and I will call you back if I am not there). I do not want you to stare at the problem, that is a waste of your time. I can usually get you on track in a couple of minutes, so give me a call and let me help you. You may call me up to 11:00 PM on school nights and I am also available on weekends. Sundays, I am out on the soccer pitch, but just leave a message on the recorder and I will return your phone call. You can also e-mail me at jlinman@techcadre.com. I arrive at school each day by 7:00 AM in the Tech Cadre and that is where you can usually find me. I am also there after school and would be more than happy to assist you in any way possible.

10. Always doing your work in a timely manner will pay great dividends this semester. There will be a lot of individualized learning where you will decide how much work you do. That could be a very positive situation for you OR it could ruin the whole semester. Do yourself a favor and go for broke, I guarantee it will be worth your while. This course is for motivated students who want to learn about the world around them. Make this year a great experience for all of us !!!!!!!!!!

11. You may be doing CRLE’s in Physics this year and they will be treated as assignments (so the requirement for all assignments being completed in order to pass will apply here as well!!). These are requirements for graduation and we will focus school-wide to make sure you get 2 CRLE’s validated in your Focused Program of Study before the end of the 1st semester. You REALLY WANT to do this !!!! It is for YOUR graduation. Stay tuned for more details.

12. Be Courteous, Be Clean, Be Cool.............all apply in Room 307........please use the technology, but treat it with respect (It takes a lot of effort and time to keep these running). Please do NOT change the desktop, absolutely NO GAMES and do NOT download anything unless it is approved by your friendly neighborhood teacher. It is all here to help you......so help me keep it going.

13. We will look into college applications and scholarship information as well. I write hundreds of recommendations each year for students, which generate a lot of cash for college. We will take time in class to work on developing plans for each of you individually (it is never too early to start) so you can provide yourself with one of the most important ingredients of your life....a college education. Please do not hesitate to ask me for any kind of help regarding this issue. (Everyone needs to do the FAFSA!!!)

14. I look forward to an exceptional year in Physics. I will update grades approximately every 48 hours, so you know exactly where you stand in this course all the time. If you have concerns over any part of the assessments, please do not hesitate to ask for an explanation. Sometimes evaluating student work is a subjective thing and students DO have a say in what they believe is the quality of their own work. This is a collaborative
effort between teacher and student. I invite all of my students to become active participants in the assessment process.

15. One of the new things I will be working with this year will be trying to streamline notes, lectures and accessing assignments. You can access almost all information for Physics this year on the high school Web site (http://www.milwaukiehigh.org). Click on programs, science, physics and you will get to my Web site. On the landing page will be a schedule and calendar so you will know what is going on for each day this year. I hope to make assignments active links in the calendar so you can just click on them and the assignment will pop up as a PDF file. If you do not have Acrobat Reader on your Computer system, go to http://www.adobe.com and download a copy (it is free!). I will have all my assignments available to download if you ever need to get a copy. We will also be using a Moodle this year for online assignments, discussions and readings. You can go to http://www.linmanphysics.org/phys and you will be able to register. Please register with your first initial and last name as your username so I can identify you. I would appreciate feedback from all of you letting me know what else I can do to improve efficiency of our learning organization.

16. I will also have the State of Oregon Career Related Learning Standards placed up on the classroom wall this year. (CRLS’s for short). Please take a few moments and check these out. I know these seem straight forward, but they really do provide a framework for all the work you do at Milwaukie High School. These are the skills you will take with you and apply in a broad range of environments for the rest of your life. I use them EVERY SINGLE DAY. THEY ARE SKILLS, PRACTICE THEM, USE THEM, THEY WILL TAKE YOU FAR IN LIFE.

Let’s all work together to make this learning organization work for ALL OF US!!!

Where to find Mr. L. ?????

Before School (6:45 and on…. ) Tech Cadre IA2 (Except Wednesdays...staff meetings)

Day 1
Period 1: SSE Behind Library Computer Labs
Period 2: Prep Cadre
Period 3: Chemistry (1st Lunch) Rm. 303
Period 4: Pulse Media Cadre

Day 2
Period 1: Honors Physics Rm. 307
Period 2: Prep Cadre
Period 3: Tech Cadre Cadre
Period 4: SSE Behind Library Computer Labs

After School (3:45 to ?????)

If you are going to call and leave a message for me: my cell phone is best............I always have it.
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Room 307 Phone: 503.353.5840 ext. 1-38381