

## WHEELER HIGH SCHOOL COURSE EXPECTATIONS

# Freshman 101

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Room 211

### *Course Overview:*

Freshmen 101 is a course designed to support freshmen with the transition to high school and provide them with basic skills needed to be successful in high school and beyond. This course is designed to help students enhance their skills in studying, organization, technology and the introduction to career planning. All incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade students will be scheduled for this course.

### *I. Material Required:*

- Folder or Three-ring Binder (for storage and organization of handouts and completed work)
- Notebook
- Pens / Pencils
- Flash Drive (optional)

### *II. Class/Behavior Expectations:*

Respect – Students are expected to enhance the learning environment by participating in class and supporting peers' participation. Interruptions to instructor or peer discussion/lessons will not be tolerated.

Responsibility – Students should come to class on time, prepared and ready to learn.

Computer Usage – This class is held in a computer lab. Computers are to be used for class work only. Students are expected to follow all guidelines for computer use as outlined in the Student Handbook. All students must sign off on the computer lab rules and guidelines.

### *III. Grading Policy (Pass/Fail):*

This course will be graded on Pass/Fail basis. Students' progress will be tracked on a 5 point scale throughout each quarter ('5' for Exceptional, '4' for Very Good, '3' for Good, '2' for Satisfactory, and '1' for Needs Improvement). All required projects/assignments will be graded using this scale to determine pass/fail status at the end of each quarter.

### *IV. Teacher Availability for Extra Help:*

I am available any day after school to meet for extra help. Please let me know ahead of time if you would like to stay after.

Feel free to contact me through email if you have any questions or need to get ahold of me after school or over the weekend.

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**V. *Wheeler High School Academic Expectations met by this course:***

- **Collaboration**
- **Communication**
- Analysis
- Literacy

**VI. *Wheeler High School Social/Civic Expectations met by this course:***

- Honesty
- Responsibility
- Respect
- Safety