

8th Grade Odyssey - Course Expectations

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Course Description

Eighth Grade Odyssey is a project-based course that focuses on critical thinking and creativity, with implementation of both individual and teamwork strategies. This STEAM centered course looks at real-world connections to Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math.

Items needed

Chromebook – Charged!
Energetic and Respectful Attitude
Cooperative and Collaborative Effort
Notebook, Pen or Pencil

Grading

This is a pass/fail course. Assessment will be based on a combination of the following:

-Projects

Projects will focus on team building and problem-solving skills through whole-class and small group activities. An emphasis will be placed on critical thinking skills, creativity, participation, and teamwork.

-Class Performance

This will be an evaluation of your overall class performance, including **participation, effort, and attitude/behavior**. Students are expected to contribute to class discussions and activities in a mature and mutually respectful manner. Individuals should come prepared for class, demonstrate appropriate behavior, and follow the proper rules of the classroom. Group work and team effort will be encouraged in a creative and safe environment. It is the goal of the entire Tahanto community to educate students while promoting a sense of independence and personal responsibility.

General notes

It is expected that appropriate behavior be practiced at all times within the school. Unsuitable behavior (which may include but not be limited to: profanity or other inappropriate language, failure to cooperate/repeated disruption, eating, drinking, or sleeping during class) will negatively affect the class performance grade, and detention may be assigned if necessary. In addition, arriving to class late (unless excused) or unprepared will negatively affect the daily class grade.

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