# Academic Support

# Course OverView

Welcome to Academic Support with Ms. Kostegan! Academic Support provides explicit instruction in the 5 key executive function processes: Goal setting, Cognitive flexibility/thinking flexibly, Organizing and prioritizing, Accessing Working Memory, and Self-monitoring and checking. Students will also get reinforcement of concepts from other classes, as well prepare themselves for upcoming Quizzes, Tests, and projects.



## ASSIGNMENTS & GRADING

In Academic Support, students will follow along to guided instruction and complete independent activities relating to the 5 key executive functioning processes. It is expected that students take part in the lessons/activities on a daily basis and this will factor into their grade for the class.

Classwork & participation - 100%

- Each day a student can earn up to 10 points
  - By Accurately and thoroughly filling out the Daily assignments tracker - **5 POINTS**
  - PARTICIPATING IN DAILY ASSIGNMENTS & CHECK-INS 5 POINTS

PARENTS/STUDENTS CAN ACCESS GRADES BY SIGNING INTO THEIR PARENT/STUDENT IPASS ACCOUNT.



CONTACT INFO: Email is the best and quickest way to reach me.

Email: Ikostegan@winthrop.k12.ma.us

#### Google Classroom Code (Period 1)

## V6b5ddt

To join your class, visit Google Classroom (you can type Google Classroom in the search bar), click on the + sign, and enter your class code.

## WHAT WILL I NEED FOR CLASS?

WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- Homework tracker
- Chromebook and Charger
  - FOLDERS
- Positive attitude

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## DAILY CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

- Be on time you'll need a pass if you are late
- Put cell phones away
- Bring all needed materials to class
- Be respectful to teachers and peers
- Be responsible for their work and their behavior
- Always try their best and encourage others to be their best
- Follow all directions and classroom procedures

# CLASSWORK POLICY

It is important that students use their time effectively during Academic Support. You must come to class prepared to work on assignments. Ms. Kostegan will help you organize your online materials for each of your classes, as well as assist you on homework and prepare for upcoming tests/quizzes when needed. If you are not working on assignments and you are using the time unproductively, you will not earn full credit and you can fall behind in your classes. It is also important that students self advocate and ask Ms. Kostegan for help when needed.

## EXTRA HELP

I am always willing to help out students before or after school! If you are in need of extra help, have questions, or just want to talk, you can shoot me an email. If you need to schedule a time to talk, please send an email to <u>kostegan@winthrop.k12.ma.us</u>. I can't help you if I don't know that you need help so make sure you are advocating for yourself and speaking up! Consequences for failing to meet classroom expectations are:

- 1st Offense: Verbal Warning
- 2nd Offense: Parent contact
- 3rd Offense: Removal from class/ administration involvement



## PLAGIARISM

Any student who cheats/plagiarizes on an examination, or any other assignment, shall receive a zero, and parents will be contacted, Click <u>here</u> for the school plagiarism policy from the WHS student handbook.

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## TECHNOLOGY

Technology is a wonderful asset and can truly help students learn. However, technology can also be a distraction. If a student is caught on their cell phone at an inappropriate time or is misusing technology, they will receive a verbal warning. If it happens more than once, an email will be sent home to parents or guardians.

## MOST IMPORTANTLY...

Our classroom is meant to be a safe and fun environment for all students to learn and explore. I truly believe that we will have a blast this year, but in order to do so, students must respect these norms, the teacher, and their peers. If I believe students are not giving the necessary level of respect in the classroom, lessons will be rearranged and the class may lose out on fun and exciting opportunities. Please be respectful so that does not happen.

#### VISION OF THE GRADUATE

Winthrop High School strives to ensure its graduates are able to become productive citizens of their town, their state, and their nation. To do this, the school in 2011 embraced the following learning objectives, on which students are evaluated quarterly. Taken together, they express a community vision for what we want our graduates to be, know, and do.

### WHS STUDENTS WILL BECOME...

### CRITICAL THINKERS

They will use, apply, and evaluate multiple problem-solving strategies in a variety of disciplines. They will be able to select, organize, and evaluate new ideas. They will demonstrate the ability to actively and critically read. They will develop the skills and acquire the knowledge necessary to prepare them for college and career success They will be able to set priorities, and manage their time and tasks.

### EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATORS

They will communicate ideas and information with clarity and with an understanding of their audience.

They will integrate and use a variety of communication forms. They will listen effectively and respond appropriately to spoken communication. They will master standard English-language conventions.

## CONSCIENTIOUS CITIZENS

They will be aware of, and follow, their community's rules and laws They will respect themselves and the community at large. They will be aware of and respect social and cultural diversity. They will understand, promote, and show the importance of hard work to achieve success. They will own their mistakes and will learn from them

### CREATIVE ACHIEVERS

iey will show curiosity and enthusiasm in everything they do They will work and think originally. They will appreciate the arts in their many forms. They will select, organize, and develop innovative ideas. They will build off the ideas of others.



I have read and understand the grading policy	and syllabus for Academic Support.
Please print your child's name	
Please sign (type) and include your email address if available. Thank you!	
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
Email Address (if available)	
Student Signature	Date
Please have this signed and returned by Friday, September 9th	