

Improving Academic Results Menihek High School

Menihek High School is dedicated to providing our students with the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to their education. Each time a student is evaluated there is an opportunity for the student to indicate how much of the curriculum outcomes they have mastered. Any time a student does not perform to their own expectations or capabilities, we offer ways for them to improve on their performance.

Menihek High School has always given students extra chances to improve upon their academic performance. Parents, and even students, may not have been fully aware of this. As a result we have formalized the process by which students can improve their academic results in all subject areas.

As a school, we believe in and stand by giving students a chance to improve marks received on all unit tests, formal exams and assignments. **It is the responsibility of the student to inform their teacher any time they wish to improve a particular mark.**

The school will assist; however, the ultimate responsibility rests with the student. To help ensure their success, it is important to note that:

- **When Students are absent from class, they are responsible for getting notes and handouts and inquiring about any other important information given to the class during their absence.**
- **All Students are strongly encouraged to see their teachers for extra help when necessary.**

Curriculum areas can vary greatly in the types of evaluation used. As such, each of our four academic departments ([English](#), [Math](#), [Science](#) and [Social Studies](#)) has tailored mechanisms to fit its own needs.

English Language Arts

If a zero (0) has been entered as a result of not completing or submitting work, or if a student wishes to improve any particular mark, they may consult with their teacher as to how to proceed. Any or all of the following conditions may apply at the discretion of, and in consultation with, student and the teacher, in the best interest of the student.

1. All class notes pertaining to that unit must be up to date. The teacher can be consulted regarding the best way for the student to accomplish this.
2. Any related assignments must be completed. A Zero (0) will be recorded for missing assignments until they are submitted for grading.
 - Assignments will be accepted up to the testing deadline for a term. Following this, students must consult with their teacher to determine how to make up for missed work.
3. A redo of a test or assignment will be scheduled at a time that is convenient for the teacher.
4. At the discretion of the teacher, and in consultation with the student, marks can be redistributed to the midyear or final exams in lieu of redoing a separate test or assignment.

Mathematics

If a zero (0) has been entered as a result of not completing or submitting work, or if a student wishes to improve any particular mark, they may consult with their teacher as to how to proceed. Any or all of the following conditions may apply at the discretion of, and in consultation, with student and the teacher, in the best interest of the student.

1. Under normal circumstances, the student should approach the teacher to discuss conditions of retest within two weeks of receiving grade on a test or assignment.
2. All class notes pertaining to that unit must be up to date. The teacher can be consulted on the best way for the student to accomplish this.
3. Any related assignments must be completed.
4. All assigned homework for that unit has been completed.
5. Additional practice exercises may be assigned.
6. Students must arrange for extra help with the teacher or a tutor if deemed necessary.
7. A redo of a test or assignment will be scheduled at a time that is convenient for the teacher.
8. At the discretion of the teacher, and in consultation with the student, marks can be redistributed to the midyear or final exams in lieu of redoing a separate test or assignment.

Science

If a zero (0) has been entered as a result of not completing or submitting work, or if a student wishes to improve any particular mark, they may consult with their teacher as to how to proceed. Any or all of the following conditions may apply at the discretion of, and in consultation, with student and the teacher, in the best interest of the student.

1. Late Assignment (not passed back):
The assignment will be accepted
2. Late Assignment (passed back):
A replacement assignment will be given or the student will complete the original assignment after school in the presence of the teacher.
3. Missed Test:
 - Student writes outside of class time on a date decided upon by teacher.
 - Student is given ample time to rearrange work schedule to be able to write the test.
4. Missed Lab:
 - Student does lab after school at a time prearranged by teacher.
 - Student is given ample time to rearrange work schedule to be able to do the lab.
5. Low Mark:
 - (Re-writes) on Test after completing extra work and /or by attending a tutorial or tutorials.
 - Ample notice will be given for students to arrange their schedules to accommodate writing the test.
6. Failing Mark on First Term:
In courses leading to a midyear and final exam, if there is a low mark first term but an improvement on the midyear, the teacher may replace first term mark with midyear mark.
7. Overall Wishing Improvement:
Extra assignments or projects can be created for replacement marks

Social Studies

If a zero (0) has been entered as a result of not completing or submitting work, or if a student wishes to improve any particular mark, they may consult with their teacher as to how to proceed. Any or all of the following conditions may apply at the discretion of and in consultation, with student and the teacher, in the best interest of the student.

1. Tests:

- Students must ask for extra help for after school. This is to be arranged at the teacher's convenience.
- Students must have review sheets completed (if given).
- Students are to write the test after school on the designated day.

2. Assignments:

- Assignments with no right/wrong answers will be accepted up to the testing deadline for the term.
- Assignments will be accepted at a later date and credit given upon completion.
- Assignments with right/wrong answers that have been returned to students cannot normally be passed in for credit. In consultation with their teacher, a replacement assignment will be given or the student will do the original assignment after school in the teacher's presence