

Action Learning – Intro to Logic Syllabus

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MATERIALS:

- Pencils (mechanical pencils preferred, but wooden pencils are OK) or BLACK/BLUE pens (no other colors are accepted)
- 3-Ring Binder, pocket folder, or other organizational tool to organize printouts and homework
- Graph paper or lined notebook paper

ATTENDANCE:

You are expected to attend class daily and to be punctual (in your seat ready to work at the start of class). Attendance is taken daily. It is your responsibility to get all the information and clarification you need to turn your work in on time. Work missed due to an Excused Absence may be made up for credit (see Late Work policy below). If you are absent the day of a test, or quiz, you are expected to make arrangements for making up the assessment as soon as possible after you return to school.

LATE WORK:

Due dates for assignments missed due to an excused absence are extended two days per absence as written in school and district policy. Assignments missed due to any other reason receive half credit for one calendar week after their original due date. Assignments more than one week late will be accepted for teacher feedback but no credit.

GRADING:

Each quarter grade will be calculated as follows:

- 25% = Process grades (homework, warm-ups, classwork, etc.)
- 75% = Product grades (tests, quizzes, projects)

Grading Scale

- 90% - 100% = A
- 80% - 89% = B
- 70% - 79% = C
- 60% - 69% = D
- < 60% = F

NOTE: Extra credit is not allowed as per the district policy.

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS:

- Be on time for class
- Be prepared for class (materials, homework, focused)
- No food or drink in classroom, except water
- Cell phones turned off and put away before entering classroom
- Show respect to others in class (polite, on-task, not disruptive)
- Take care of personal needs (restroom, personal grooming, makeup, lotion) before arriving to class
- Students will not share/copy each others' work – Academic Honesty

CONTENT:

In this course, we will be looking at how we use logic in everyday life and how logical reasoning can affect our choices and actions.

Some topics we will be covering:

- Logic and reasoning
- How to make a good choice
- Logic games and puzzles
- What makes a convincing argument
- Flowcharts and proofs
- Fallacies and paradoxes
- Critical thinking
- Principles of debate
- Hypothesis testing
- Inventiveness
- Syllogism

EXTRA HELP:

After school tutoring will be available in my classroom from 2:45-3:30 pm Tuesday and Thursday of every week, and also during lunch (by appointment). Expect to work during this time, and not just “hang out” with friends.

Please sign and return this section by August 28th

Please print clearly

I have read and understand the policy information for Action Learning – Intro to Logic. If I have any questions I will email Mr. Freak at christopher_freak@dspk12.org or call him.

Student Name (Printed): _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Name (Printed): _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Email: _____

Best times to reach you if I need to call:

How often would you (parents) like to be contacted regarding your student's progress?

(circle one) Weekly Bi-Weekly Monthly Only if there is a concern