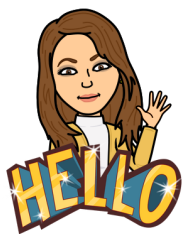


# Horticulture II



## Course Description & Grading Procedures Trinity High School



**Instructor:** Ms. Caroline McKee

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**Available Hours:** Daily 7:15-7:45am, After School with notice.

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**Classroom:** G 82

**Course Description:** This course covers instruction that expands scientific knowledge and skills to include more advanced scientific computations and communication skills needed in the horticulture industry. Topics include leadership and SAE, nursery structures, growing environments and maintenance, greenhouse plant production, management and marketing, bedding plant production, basic landscape design techniques and maintenance, turfgrass management, and floral design techniques. English language arts, mathematics, and science are reinforced. Work-based learning strategies appropriate for this course are apprenticeship, cooperative education, entrepreneurship, internship, mentorship, school-based enterprise, service learning, job shadowing, and Supervised Agricultural Experience. FFA competitive events, community service, and leadership activities provide the opportunity to apply essential standards and workplace readiness skills through authentic experiences.

**Required Materials:** All students in Horticulture II must bring with them a pencil, a three-ring binder OR a tab for this class only that will be in a binder that they use for other classes. These items need to be brought every day to class. Since this semester is a little different, you will also need to make sure that you complete your ONLINE work by the due date. Since this is definitely a different year, I am asking that students who come to campus please bring the items listed above daily.

**Cleaning Materials Needed:** If students would like to donate any of the following items, it would be greatly appreciated: Clorox wipes, Kleenex, Lysol, or Hand Soap. Whichever class donates the most items by February 26 will receive a class party!

**Instructor Expectations:** In general homework will consist of reviewing activities and information from recent lessons or preparing for upcoming topics. You will also be asked to complete small projects in each class. When a project, paper, or speech is assigned I expect that you will come to class ready to present or turn in your assignment on the due date.

**Safety Info:** This class is likely different from anything else you have done in school. Safety comes first. I will not make you do anything you are uncomfortable with, but it is important that you take all equipment and procedures seriously! IF YOU HAVE TO THINK ABOUT WHETHER IT IS A GOOD IDEA, IT MOST LIKELY IS NOT.

### How I will be Grading:

#### o Quizzes (Celebration of Knowledge): 25%

We will have quizzes over each section throughout the term of this course breaking up each of the major topics in the course. Quizzes will be announced at least two days in advance on CANVAS on the homepage. For quizzes, students will be able to use their notes and for

other quizzes, students will rely on their study skills. Once the date has passed for the quiz, there will be no makeups

### o **Class Work 75%**

Students are expected to participate in the class to its fullest. Agricultural education is based on experiential learning, which means you learn it by doing it. You will be graded on involvement and completion in several small class projects throughout the semester. It is important you are taking notes and doing the assigned work that I provide as this will help you on your quizzes in the future. We are also looking at participation in class (through attendance and turning in assignments) as part of this grade.

**Virtual Learning Days on Google Meet:** Due to not everyone being on campus at the same time, students are encouraged (but it is not mandatory) to join the class virtually on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at the beginning of their respective class time. Ms. McKee will be live streaming at the beginning of each class as she goes over the lesson. Due to this being an "outside class", she will not be able to take the laptop with her for filming purposes. Students are encouraged to join using Google Meets and be signed into your student email to join at: <https://meet.google.com/> and the password for the class will be:

1st Block: cmckee1

2nd Block: cmckee2

4th Block: cmckee4

On Wednesdays, it is **OPTIONAL** to join the class virtually using Google Meet as this will be the day that you will have your plant quizzes which will be available for 24-hours. If you would like to talk with Ms. McKee, she will be available at the following times on Wednesdays:

1st Block: 9:00am

2nd Block: 9:45am

4th Block: 1:45pm

If there is no one in the first 15 minutes of class online, Ms. McKee will log off and you can feel free to email her if you have any questions. By following the above guidelines about how to log onto Google Meets with the correct password is how you will be able to access the class live.

**Phones-** Every student who has a cell phone will be asked to put their phone in the "Phone Pocket" that is located in the room. Students are not allowed to have phones on them during class unless the teacher permits it. If the student is caught on their phone without permission, the parent will be contacted and school administration will be notified as Insubordination/Defiance of Authority.

**Make-Up Work / Absences-** I encourage you to have a study buddy to help with missed work. If you anticipate being absent, see me for work before you leave. There is also a "Ketchup" folder located in the room for missed worksheets or notes. If you are online, most of the work will be available to you throughout the semester but I highly encourage you to make sure you are keeping up with your work as there will be sometimes I will turn off the online materials and make sure that you are doing what is asked.

**Late Work:** Respect your time and my time and turn your work in on time! As a high school student, you are expected to turn in the work by the due date. If there is a reason you cannot turn it in on time, please see me and we can work something out.

Best wishes for a great semester!

Caroline McKee

