## **Life in Advanced Placement Calculus**

This is a *college course*, taught in high school. As a result, the expectations more closely mirror those for college students, so you should be willing and prepared to adapt.

## Don't expect:

- in-class reviews before tests
- to use notes during tests
- re-takes for bad scores
- extra credit to pull you through
- to get by with memorizing formulas before a quiz
- to get by without understanding concepts from the pre-requisite courses
- to be spoon-fed all the material
- to use calculators for tasks that you should be able to do without one

## but expect:

- lots of homework
- messy problems that require deep thinking and perseverance, on all work and tests
- significant effort outside of class to master ideas
- rigorous standards for grading
- out-of-the-box problems requiring creativity or insight
- to explain and justify your work orally and in writing
- scrupulous attention to detail and notation
- that success will require working efficiently and wisely, not just working "hard"