

A little about me...

I was born & raised on a 100 cow dairy farm in Easton, NY.

I attended Greenwich CSD where I participated extensively in their Ag & FFA program. After high school I attended Word of Life Bible Institute, SUNY Cobleskill where I received my AAS in Ag Business & Cornell University where I earned a BS in Dairy Science & my MAT in Agricultural Education.

Before I began teaching I spent time working as a herdsman on three dairy farms & worked for a hooftrimmer in Washington County. Currently, I own my own greenhouse business (Polliwog's Garden), manage Winney's Blueberry Farm every summer & work a few nights a week & weekends on my family's dairy farm.



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This is my 14th year teaching Agriculture at HCS.

I teach 9 courses over a two-year rotation including: Vet Science, Animal Science, Plant Science, Landscape Design & Greenhouse Management, Environmental Science, Ag Business, Welding & Woodworking, Small Engines & Electricity as well as 6th Grade Technology. I am also the FFA Advisor & Co-Yearbook Advisor.

I am looking forward to working with your students this year!





Our Lincoln Rep, Mr. Kelly & me at the new Lincoln Electric training facility in Cleveland, OH



Topics to be covered...

Small Engines

Safety

Part & Tool ID

Basic Systems

Teardown Group Project

Electricity

Safety

Introduction & Calculations

Tools & proper use

Wiring Group Project

Expectations...

Everyday:

Be Prepared & Bring all your materials to class

Be on time

Participate

Hand assignments in on time

Complete make up work in a timely fashion

Expectations specific to Engines & Electricity...

Should wear when in the shop:

Close-toed shoes/ boots
Pants/ Jeans or Carhartt-type material
Hair tied back

A majority of your grade during this portion of the class is based on participation as well as correct completion of your engines & electricity project assignments.

Grading...

All classes are graded on a POINTS system.

Since each class moves at their own pace, I can never guarantee that there will be an equal number of tests, quizzes, labs & classwork to make a percentage system work out fairly. Tests are usually worth 100 points, while labs, projects & classwork point values will vary based on the amount of time & effort required to complete them.

Any incidents involving plagiarism & academic dishonesty will result in a ZERO for that assignment. Please use citations when necessary & be sure to correctly quote any sources that you use. Cutting & pasting from any source is NOT an acceptable way to complete an assignment.

Late work will be accepted; however, it will receive a MAXIMUM of 50% credit.

One final word...





"The best way to predict your future is to create it."

-Abraham Lincoln

