

Algebra 1 Syllabus

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course finishes the 8th grade Common Core Curriculum (Transformations, Square Roots, Pythagorean Theorem) and covers all of high school Algebra 1. The following content will be covered: Linear equations, linear inequalities, functions, linear functions, systems of linear equations, exponents, quadratic functions and polynomials, & an introduction to geometry.

TEXT AND MATERIALS

- Text book: Prentice Hall Algebra 1 © 2011, accessible at www.pearsonsuccessnet.com.
- Students **NEED** a spiral notebook (120 pages or more), large enough to hold both notes and assignments.
- Calculator: Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS, Walmart typically has these for \$8.88 in August.
- Pencils, lots of pencils!!!

HOMEWORK *Practice Assignments*

HOMEWORK will NOT be GRADED. There will be assignments, activities and worksheets, but this will serve as practice for the skills being learned. Assignments will be completed in the single subject notebook.

HOMEWORK QUIZZES

Weekly Homework Quizzes are based on actual problems that have been assigned during the previous week. There are no "retakes" for Homework Quizzes, which is why it is important to practice the daily assignments.

CUMULATIVE QUIZZES

Cumulative Quizzes cover many lessons of a Unit, therefore carry more weight than the homework quizzes.

It is VERY IMPORTANT to do your assignments
& practice
IF you want to be SUCCESSFUL in this class!!!!

*DO NOTHING TO HINDER THE LEARNING OR
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TESTS

- Any student scoring 90% or higher on a PRE-TEST has the option of taking the final test.
- Anyone may choose to retake a test. **You must email me to schedule a time when you will retake it.**
- The original grade and the retake grade will be averaged for the final test grade.

INDIVIDUAL HELP

Everyday students are welcome to meet **before school, during lunch** or **seminar** for help. Pre-arranged after school help is available too.

ASK FOR HELP!!!! You know you are struggling before I do... **do not wait to get help!**

GRADING POLICY

Marking Period Grade

- 70% Tests
- 17½% Cumulative Quizzes
- 12½% Homework Quizzes

Semester Grade

- 40% 1st marking period
- 40% 2nd marking period
- 20% Exam

GRADING SCALE

100-93: A	86-83: B	76-73: C	66-63: D
93-90: A-	82-80: B-	72-70: C-	62-60: D-
89-87: B+	79-77: C+	69-67: D+	≤ 59: F

***It is strongly recommended to have an overall grade of at least a 70% to take Geometry in the 9th

CLASSROOM RULES

- CMS Handbook pg 7, “*Students receiving three or more tardies to a class will receive a lunch detention.*”
- CMS Handbook pg 12, “*infringements include: coats worn in the classrooms, backpacks in the classroom*”
- **Be Responsible** – have what is needed before class, if absent find out what you missed.
- **Be Respectful** – sharpen pencils at appropriate times, see above or during work time.
- **Be Positive** – Smile ☺ say words that are helpful, at the very least, sound encouraging.

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