

## Algebra 1 Syllabus

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Planning period: 2nd period

Will be here after school until 3:45

Course Description: Algebra 1 is a high school math course exploring how to use letters (called variables) and numbers with mathematical symbols to solve problems. Algebra 1 typically includes evaluating expressions, writing equations, graphing functions, solving quadratics, and understanding inequalities.

General rules and expectations:

Be here on time. If you are late, you will be counted tardy.

Use the bathroom before class. No use of the bathroom is allowed during class.

Phones are to be put away during class. You can charge the phone in the back if needed.

Talking while I am talking is unacceptable.

No getting snacks or drinks during class.

Clean up your mess.

Every day, grab a great start sheet and start working on it as soon as possible.

Read the board to see if you will need a calculator or laptop for the day.

Remain seated unless I tell you otherwise or when the bell rings.

I expect everyone to participate in class.

What you will need for class: 3-ring binder and pencils

Tests: You will have 7 tests a semester, some tests will be after 3 weeks of covering material, some will be after 1 week of covering material. If we have spent a few weeks on the material, I will provide a study guide for you. You will only have the time allotted in class to take the test. If you miss a test, you will have 3 days to make it up if it is an unexcused absence. If it is an excused absence, you will have 5 days to make up the test. You will have to set up a time with me to make up the test, either in the morning before school or after school. If you fail to make up the test, then it will be a ZERO. There will be no retakes or test corrections.

Exit Tickets: You will have an exit ticket after class each day. Depending how you score on these exit tickets, will depend if you get a reteach to build understanding, additional practice, or enrichment worksheet. You will have a chance to make up the exit tickets if you are missing a day.

Homework: There will be a homework assignment every week. It will cover the material discussed in class and will be due on Friday of each week. You will get this homework at the

beginning of the week. Late homework will still be accepted but with a penalty of 25% reduction each day after it was late one day.

Grading: 100 points for test, 3 points for exit ticket, 20 points for homework, and 5 points for misc.

Total points for each semester:

7 tests - 700 points

75 exit tickets - 225 points

16 homeworks - 320 points

1 misc. - 5 points

Total of 1250 points per semester.

Year total of 2500 points.

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I have read all of the syllabus and I accept the rules and expectations.

Student signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_