

ALGEBRA 1 SYLLABUS

Mr. Messier

HERITAGE HIGH SCHOOL

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Room: N104

CLASS EXPECTATIONS

- ⇒ Be positive, present & prepared every day and **TRY** your best
- ⇒ Be engaged and take responsibility for your own *learning* (Participation is not optional!)
- ⇒ Show respect for everyone and everything
- ⇒ Challenge yourself!

Grading Policy and Assignments

- 20% Practice & Participation
 - Notes, Classwork, Homework
- 80% Assessments
 - Tests, Quizzes, Projects, Final

Suggested Supplies:

- ♦ Pencils & Erasers
- ♦ Colored Pen/Highlighter
- ♦ Binder & Square/Graph Paper
- ♦ Math specific spiral bound notebook and folder
- ♦ Scientific Calculator

Please see me privately if you have problems getting these supplies

TEST RE-TAKES

Re-takes (will be offered on some but not all assessments) by appointment, the following will need to take place:

1. Complete test corrections with teacher
2. Complete review assignment (s) from teacher that shows understanding
3. Arrange time outside of class to re-take test before deadline. (Patriot Plus, after school, etc.)

Electronic Devices



Cell phones, and all other electronic devices should be put away during instruction time, unless authorized by teacher for educational purposes (this includes headphones). School policies will be followed for not abiding by these rules.

Extra Help

I understand that math can be challenging and want to support your success as much as possible. Please let me know if you are looking for extra help.

Mr. Messier's Website (Access through teacher page on Heritage website)

All Class Information will be posted on this website

Course Description

- Algebra 1 is a standards-based course designed to prepare students to meet district and state standards in Algebra and provide a foundation for all future math classes.
- By the end of the course, students are expected to:
 - Demonstrate critical thinking skills and understanding of key Algebra 1 concepts
 - Effectively communicate mathematical thinking verbally and in written form
 - Apply concepts of Algebra to real-world situations

Policies

- Tardies
 - Students who are not on time will be marked tardy
- Start of Period/End of Period
 - Students are expected to be in their seat when the bell rings and begin working on Warm-Up
 - I will dismiss students at the end of the period, the bell does not dismiss you!
- Food & Drink
 - Students may not bring any food to class. Only drinks with a cap are allowed.
- Bathroom
 - Students should not leave class during the first or last 10 minutes of class.
 - Students must sign in and out of class and take the hall pass.
- Late Work
 - Will be accepted at teacher's discretion for partial credit

Homework

- Homework is an important component of a successful math education. I will be using a combination of textbook and online homework, although it may not be every night. Without doing your homework and practicing, it will be difficult to do well on assessments which make up the bulk of your grade.

Academic Honesty

- Cheating of any kind (this includes copying someone else's work or letting someone copy your work) on anything we do will result in an automatic zero in addition to any other school policies.

Absences

- It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to contact the teacher the day you return about turning in missed assignments or making up exams due to an excused absence.

Accountability Policy

- All students are expected to be positive members of our learning community and failure to do *so will result in the following*:
 - 1st offense: Verbal Warning and/or Meeting with Teacher,
 - 2nd offense: Communication with parents,
 - 3rd offense: Written Referral