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HELLO!

Class Materials:

You are expected to come to class prepared every day. Passes will not be given for forgetting supplies. You should walk into math class daily with:

- * Pencil (notes/homework) Pen (correcting)
- * Notebook (single subject)
- * Scientific Calculator

Classroom Procedures

What is this class about?

Algebra is a fun and exciting course that covers all the fundamentals that will be a part of the rest of the math you ever do. Understanding basic algebra is key to being successful in Geometry, Statistics, Trigonometry, Advanced Algebra, Chemistry, Physics and even Calculus!

What should I already know?

You should have a basic understanding of all math classes up to this point. Math builds on itself and every layer is equally important. Obviously I don't expect you to remember everything you've ever learned in a math class, so here are some main ideas I expect you to be confident in:

- Operations (+ - * /) with numbers
- Ability to recognize patterns and relationships
- Fractions, decimals, proportions and percents

Expectations

In order for our classroom to run smoothly and for all students to feel comfortable learning, there are a few things I need from you: 1. Come to class on time and prepared. 2. Be respectful to EVERYONE in our class. 3. Actively participate in class EVERY DAY. 4. Try your hardest and limit distractions. If you choose to not meet these expectations, you are choosing to accept the consequences associated. Phones and Ipods are expected to be put into the box throughout the class period.

What if I need help?

AFTER SCHOOL

I will be available in my room everyday until 4:00. I would encourage you to come in if you have questions or just need a little extra explanation of

CLASS WEBSITE

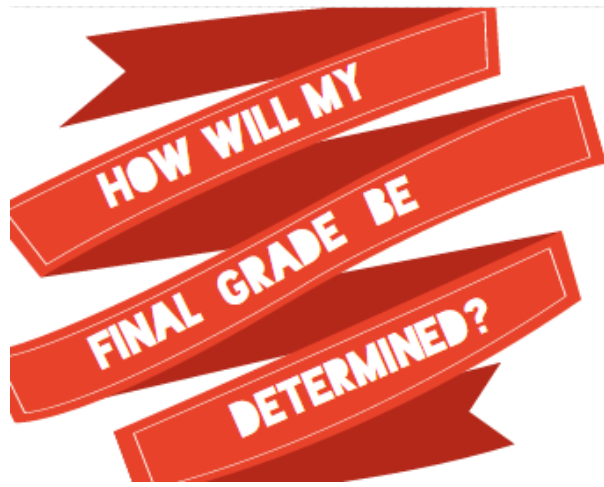
Check out my website <http://mrsmentelemath.weebly.com> where I will load notes, videos, and other helpful items aimed at clearing up common mistakes and difficult concepts.

Policies

Late Work-- You are expected to have your work done on time. If you have a late assignment, you will lose 1 point per day that it is missing. Late work will be your responsibility to get the assignment and to come in and correct it ON YOUR OWN before of after school.

Passes-- you will not be given passes for not being prepared. Use your time wisely between classes.

Cell phones/ipods-- put them into the box with the power off before you take your seats. Failure to do so will result in a cell phone violation per the student handbook.



FOR THE QUARTER

Quizzes—40% Tests—40% Homework—20%

FOR THE SEMESTER

Quarter 1—40% Quarter 2—40%
Semester Test—20%

Work	Quizzes	Tests	Semester Test
<p>There will be daily assignments. They need to be completed by the due date. They will be corrected in class the following school day. Needs to be done in PENCIL and corrected in PEN.</p>	<p>Each chapter will have 1–2 quizzes over the covered content. Corrections can be made to earn back half credit.</p>	<p>At the end of each chapter, we will review the material and then take a test. Corrections can be made to earn back half credit.</p>	<p>At the end of the semester, we will review all of the chapters covered and then take a final exam. Students are expected to be prepared for this test as it is 20% of the final grade.</p>



Ways to help your student succeed



- # 1. Make sure your student comes to school prepared and ready to learn
- # 2. Remind your students to complete their homework (you can even watch it with them!) & study for tests and quizzes
- # 3. If your student is struggling, encourage them to get help
- # 4. Regularly check your students grades to hold them accountable on Parent Portal



Late Homework and Corrections:

Late homework (for any reason) is the responsibility of the student. You will need to get the homework assignment from me or another student. Once you have it done, you will need to come in and correct it in my room either before or after school. It needs to be done in a timely manner.

Quiz/Test Corrections are a way for you to earn back half of the points lost. They need to be done in my room before or after school. They will be done in pencil on a separate sheet of paper, which will be stapled to the original test. This is a great opportunity to earn points and to learn from your mistakes.