

Honors Algebra 1
Rules, Expectations, & Grading Policies
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Introduction: Welcome to Honors Algebra 1! It is my goal that every student learns mathematics with understanding. This means being able to perform specific skills, knowing how and why certain procedures can be performed, and applying these skills and procedures. Your success in this class depends on your willingness to learn and apply the concepts presented throughout the course and on your ability to communicate and work cooperatively with others.

Availability: I am available before school from 7:30 – 7:45am and after school from 2:40 – 3:10pm unless otherwise noted.

Materials Needed (EVERY DAY):
Cavalier Assignment book
Paper (Either a binder or spiral notebook)
2 Sharpened Pencils

Online Text Book
<http://go.hrw.com>

NO CELL PHONES ALLOWED. NOT EVEN AS A CALCULATOR

Classroom Rules: ALL school rules apply including electronic devices, book bags, and ids. Please be advised that additional rules may be added as needed throughout the school year. No food, gum, pop, juice, or water is allowed please.

ALL WORK IS TO BE DONE IN PENCIL

Summary of Grades:

Test	70%	100 – 97 A+	79 – 77 C+
In Class Work	30%	96 – 93 A	76 – 73 C
• Mini Quizzes		92 – 90 A-	72 – 70 C-
• Application Problems		89 – 87 B+	69 – 67 D+
		86 – 83 B	66 – 63 D
		82 – 80 B-	62 – 60 D-
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Math Labs

7:00-7:45: 145

1st: 146

2nd: 149

3rd: 143

4th: 140

5th: 151 (A&C)

6th: 142

7th: 148

The final exam for each semester will be 15% of the final grade.

“I never left the field saying I could have done more to get ready and that gives me piece of mind.” – **Peyton Manning**

Homework Policy: Homework is your responsibility and will not be collected as a grade. It will be beneficial for you in two ways to complete the homework on a regular basis. The first is to get practice for the assessments. The second is that it will allow you the opportunity to retake all your tests.

Test Retake Policy: Students are allowed to retake any test **IF** 1) have over a 75% of homework completed and checked the day of the test. 2) Meet with myself and make test corrections. 3) Schedule to retake the test within **two weeks** of original test day. If all three are completed then student will be allowed to retake their test/quiz and the **new score will be the score counted for the grade.**

Completeness for all assignments: In order to receive full credit on any assessment (including tests, quizzes, and homework), all work must be legible, written in pencil, and on loose leaf paper with all work shown. On the homework, the original problem must be written down on the paper next to the problem number as well as every step shown. The final answer must be circled or boxed. **Do not just write the problem number in a column and give answers.**

Make-up Work: If you will have a planned absence from class, please inform me in advance. For any excused absence from class, you will be allowed one day for each day you were absent to make-up homework. When you are absent it is **your responsibility** to ask what you missed before/after school (not during class time). If you are absent on the day of a test, you must take the test on the day you return. Work from an unexcused absence will be treated according to school policy as defined in the handbook.

Parents as Partners Family involvement is an essential element for a student's success in mathematics. Be positive and support homework, don't do it for them. Think of yourself as a guide rather than your child's teacher. You can help by asking questions and listening. You may also help by visiting the online resources and encouraging your child to take advantage of the tutorials, interactive activities, and other online resources listed above.

“There may be people that have more talent than you, but theres no excuse for anyone to work harder than you do.” – **Derek Jeter**

***** Please feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions/concerns.**

I, the student, have read and understand the rules, expectations and grading policies of Mr. Stevenson's class. I understand that I am responsible for anything and everything listed.

Student name PLEASE PRINT

Student signature

Guardian name PLEASE PRINT

Guardian signature

Please return this portion by Monday, August 17, 2015