



Algebra 1 A

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Course Description

Algebra 1 A covers algebraic expressions, real numbers, linear equations, linear inequalities, linear functions, systems of inequalities, polynomials, and some quadratics. It is designed to be the first part of a complete Algebra course.

Contact Information

E-mail: mmcmahan@clevelandschools.org

Website: <http://mcmahanmath.weebly.com/> this website contains notes, homework assignments, and other information regarding this course.

Remind app: get texts straight to your phone with reminders for my class by texting to number 81010 with the message @algebramac. You can also download the remindapp.

School Phone Number: 423-478-1113

Required Supply List

1. Paper
2. Pencils
3. Calculator – I will have calculators for classroom use only. If a student desires to buy their own, I would recommend a TI-81, 83, or 84 graphing calculator.
4. Either a binder or notebook used for notes which you will keep in the classroom.
5. Something to keep you organized for inside and outside the classroom. You cannot use your math book as a folder!
6. Each student will be issued a Glencoe-McGraw Hill Algebra 1 Book

Grades

Tests and Quizzes will be given throughout each unit. I will give review study guides for each test. It is important that each student use the study guides, notes, homework, and classwork from each section to study. Most tests will allow **for one opportunity to retake the test with a parent's/guardian's signature and a conference with me to ensure that you understand the material before you take the test a second time.**

Homework is assigned on occasion. This is not a punishment, it is for you to learn and practice the material so you can perform well on your tests.

Classwork will be expected to be turned in that day.

Notes will be given on each lesson taught. If you are absent you can copy your neighbors' notes, copy mine off my website. The following is my website: mcmahanmath.weebly.com

Projects/Activities/Tasks are done in class in order for you to have a better understanding of the standards.

Benchmark Tests are district level comprehensive tests used to see if the TNCore state standards have been mastered.

****The assignments above consist of 75% of your final grade while the comprehensive final exam is 25% of your final grade. You will not have an EOC (TNReady) until the spring semester which covers this course and Algebra I B.**

Other Information

- Cheating/ Plagiarizing: You will receive a zero on the assignment/test.
- Absences
 - When a student is absent they can find their assignment in the folder on the bulletin board under the appropriate block or on my website.
 - You will have the number of days you were absent plus one day to turn in any work you have missed.
 - It is **your responsibility** to find out what work you have missed, what work you must turn in, and to make sure it gets finished in the time allowed.

Students and Family,

Welcome to Algebra 1. I am thrilled for the new semester and to meet my new students. I want everyone to succeed and I will do my best to help along the way. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments that you might have about the course or your child. E-mail is the best way for me to communicate, however you may call me at the school and I will return your call as soon as I can. My e-mail address is mmcmahan@clevelandschools.org. I will be maintaining a website at <http://mcmahanmath.weebly.com/> which contains notes, homework assignments, and other information regarding this course. You can also e-mail me through the website. You and your child can look up his/her grades on <https://ps.clevelandschools.org> that will be available a few weeks after school has started. I want to add that this class may be challenging at times, but as long as you are willing to work with me and ask questions, together we will do the best we can.

Sincerely,

Michelle McMahan



“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”
~Nelson Mandela

Please return this sheet only to Mrs. McMahan

Do you have a computer at home? _____

Do you have access to the internet on a phone or computer? _____

If so, indicate which device(s) have internet access _____

I have read the syllabus and I will do all that is necessary to help my child do their best in Algebra 1. I also understand that it is my responsibility and my child's responsibility to keep track of grades and the assignments that they are required to do in class.

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

*Please put a star next to the way you would prefer to be contacted.

Parent E-mail: _____

Parent Phone: _____

I have read the syllabus and I understand my responsibilities for this class and what is expected of me. I will do my best in Algebra 1.

Student Name: _____

Student's Signature: _____