

**Algebra 2
Classroom Policies
2014-2015**

Note: you do not need an expensive calculator; however, your calculator does need to be able to do log, exponents, and simple probability (TI-30 or equivalent)

If you are planning on furthering your mathematic education beyond Algebra II, you may consider purchasing a TI-84

Forewarning: I may not allow graphing calculators (TI-84) on

Materials

Materials Needed for this class:

1. 8 ½ x 11 **Spiral Bound Notebook** (minimum 100 pages)
2. Pencils with erasers
3. Scientific Calculator

*These material must be with you **DAILY** in order for you to receive full daily participation points. Failure to bring materials may result in a lunch or after school detention.*

Practice Assignments:

Assignments are designed as a reinforcement of classroom instruction. All assignments will be turned in the following class meeting by the end of the school day. Time might be given in class to work on assignments. You will be expected to use this time to complete the assignment; however you may need to finish it at home. **All assignments must be written neatly in pencil with problem written and ALL WORK SHOWN!** No Exceptions. **Late Work will not be accepted.**

Quizzes:

Quizzes will be given in between chapter exams. No make-up quizzes will be given. I will drop your lowest quiz score at the end of the semester. Notes may not be used on exams, unless otherwise stated. Quiz missed due to an absence must be made up within 1 week before or after school.

Exams & Projects:

Chapter exams will be given at the end of each chapter. A study guide will be provided at least 1 class period prior to exam. Notes may not be used on exams, unless otherwise stated. *Students may retake up to 2 tests per semester for full credit* **An exam missed due to an absence must be made up before or after school within 1 week of when the exam was assigned.** Projects will be assigned at least once a semester. You will be given at least 2 weeks to work on each project. A grading rubric will be provided at the time each project is assigned. **Late projects will not be accepted under ANY circumstances.**

Final:

The semester final exam will cover all topics studied during the semester and will be given during finals week. It will make up 20% of your final grade

Grading Policy:

1. Practice—in-class assignments, take home assignments, etc.....8%
2. Participation—discussions, work-in class, Daily Warm Ups, notebook checks, etc.....8%
3. Quizzes—quizzes will be given approximately once per week4%
4. Assessments—chapter exams, group quizzes, projects, etc.....60%
5. Final—the final will be a cumulative of the year.....20%

Grades are updated weekly. If you have a zero on a assignment, then you either did not turn it in or it was late. Students & parents should check their grade regularly by going online to <https://parents.luhdsd.net>. If there is ever confusion about your student’s grade please feel free to email me. Grades are posted inside the classroom as well before every test. Please use the below **grading scale**.

A (100%-95%)	A- (94%-90%)	B (89%-85%)	B- (84%- 80%)	C (79%-75%)
C- (74%-70%)	D (59%-65%)	D- (64%-60%)	F (59% and below)	

Attendance:

Due to the amount of notes, class discussions, & presentations that cannot be duplicated outside the classroom, regular attendance in this class is vitally important. Poor attendance will result in less learning and lower grades.

Absent Work:

Students are responsible for all material covered in class and for taking the initiative to get work missed due to an absence. An “**Absent Binder**” will be available for students, located in the back of the classroom. Student’s should utilize Before & After school office hours to help aid them in material no understood due to an absence. Unless other arrangements are made, assignments must be made up. You have as many days as you were absent. **A quiz or exam missed due to an absence must be made up before or after school within 1 week.** If you are ever out of class due to a school activity (field trip, sports, etc), you are not excused from any of the work.

Extra Help:

I am available to provide extra help **before school, after school, and by appointment.** Please come in as soon as you feel that you are beginning to struggle with a concept. It is your responsibility to seek help from the teacher. Do not wait until the morning of a test to get help for an entire chapter. Please contact Ms. DeRushe for more information about opportunities for help in Algebra 1. **Ms. DeRushe’s complete office hours are posted on the window outside P101.**

Cheating Policy:

Cheating is strictly prohibited! Students are encouraged to work together on assignments and projects. However, students must turn in original work, not copied work. If students are found or suspected of cheating on homework, a project, a quiz, or an exam, the students involved will receive a zero until they have talked with me. At that time the students involved **may or may not** be given an opportunity to make up the assignment.

Student Responsibilities:

Everyone has the right to learn. In order for that to happen, there must be order in the classroom. We will prepare ourselves for a successful adult life by cultivating habits expected of an adult in our classroom. Every student must be responsible for following the rules below or else he/she will be infringing on the rights and comforts of others.

1. Attend Class regularly and be seated in your desk before the tardy bell rings.
2. Students are always expected to pay attention, follow all directions, and stay on task
3. There is to be no defacing of school property. That means: DO NOT WRITE ON DESKS.
4. Food & drinks (aside from water) are not allowed in the classroom
5. Cell Phones: there is a time and a place for cell phones. During class is not one of them. You are not allowed to use your cell phone at any time unless permitted by the teacher. When you are authorized to use a cell phone, you must stay on task and only use the phone as permitted. Any cell phone use that is unauthorized will result in confiscation.
6. At the end of class, the bell does not excuse you; your teacher will, and she will not do so until everyone is seated quietly.

Be on Time

Be Prepared

Be Courteous

Be Honest

Consequences:

If students do not uphold their responsibilities, you can expect the following consequences:

1st Verbal Warning

2nd Moved to a different Seat & student/teacher conference

3rd Sent to another classroom with an alternate assignment due the next class meeting/ parent contacted

4th If all of the above fail, OR conduct is severe, student will receive a referral, be sent to the Assistant Principal and parent will be contacted.