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**Algebra 1**

* This course contains the fundamentals of algebra that will set students up for success moving forward in their mathematical studies.
* The following topics will be explored throughout the course: linear equations and inequalities, graphing and writing linear functions, solving systems of linear equations, exponential functions and sequences, polynomial equations and factoring, and solving and graphing quadratic functions.

**Classroom Rules & Expectations:**

* Be on time and in your seat when the bell rings. All materials should be with you when you enter the room. You will also be assigned a calculator number. This should be the first thing you grab when you walk in the door.
* Cell phone use/ear buds are **not allowed** in my classroom. Make sure they are put in your backpacks to start each period. You will lose participation points if you are using your cell phone during class, unless otherwise directed. Ear buds may be needed for computer activities.
* Be respectful to your peers, teachers, and school property.

**Grading policy:**

* Unit Tests:40% (you will have about 3-4 tests per semester that will be on a whole chapter or unit)
* Quizzes: 30% (quizzes will be shorter and only contain parts of a unit)
* Classwork: 10% (Graded classwork assignments, and online assignments such as Schoology, OneNote, Big Ideas or Quizizz)
* Participation: 10% (Taking all notes, volunteering to answer questions, going up to the whiteboard, and not using cell phones. Students must come prepared for class- have laptops WITH A CHARGE or personal charger.)
* Homework: 10% (Some homework will be graded on completion/effort while others will be given the score given)

**Class Supplies Needed:**

* Laptop: It is extremely important that you bring your school-issued laptop DAILY to find success in this course. If you do not have your laptop, you will lose participation points.
* STYLUS: You were given a stylus with your school issued laptop. Please bring daily to take down notes on the computer, complete online assignments, etc.
* Calculator: You will be provided with a TI-84 Plus Graphing Calculator in this class. ***It is not required to buy one for this course***.

**Make up work:**

You will be given the number of days absent to make up your work. If you do not turn your make-up work within this time, you will receive a zero. **I DO NOT ACCEPT LATE HOMEWORK OR CLASSWORK.** Quizzes/tests may not be made up in class, but either in study hall or during office hours.

**Office Hours:**

I am available for office hours during unit lunch to assist with questions or concerns regarding current materials, quiz/test preparation or make up work for students who have been absent or need additional help. Office hours will be set during the beginning of the school year and can be found on your calendar in Schoology.

**Communication:**

* Email: Feel free to email me with any questions or concerns you may have. YOU MUST EMAIL US THROUGH YOUR SCHOOL EMAIL (office 365)
* Schoology message: You can also send a message through the Schoology online program. We will be checking this daily as well.