

Algebra 2

2023-2024

Instructor Information

Instructor

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*This is the best way to contact me outside of school!

Classroom & Extra Help

MPHS - Room M6

Before school from 7:30 a.m. to the start of homeroom.

*Please come talk to me if you have any conflicts.

Introduction

Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year!

This course is designed to be an extension into topics that are taught in Algebra I, as well as an introduction to topics that will aid in transitioning to higher-level math courses. Students in Algebra 2 will become fluent with a variety of different function families and the ways the same concepts can be threaded through each family.

Quick Notes

Required Materials

- A binder is required for the class. You should keep all papers neat and organized. Worksheets are the norm for the class. It may be helpful to have separate sections for your notes and homework assignments.
- All assignments, quizzes, and exams should be done in pencil. Notes may be taken with a pen. If you have any issues, please see me.
- Calculators will be necessary for most of the course. Students in the Algebra 2 Honors class are required to have a graphing calculator. The TI-83/84 graphing calculators are recommended. Students in the Algebra 2 classes should have at least a scientific calculator.

General Information

- A Google Classroom has been created for the class. Check the board for the Google Classroom code. All homework assignments, quiz and test announcements are posted as Daily Posts to Classroom. It is your responsibility to check the Classroom when you are not in class. For any extended absences, please reach out to schedule make-ups.
- Homework is due the day after it is assigned unless another due date is given. If you are absent from class for any reason, you are responsible for making up any work that was missed. It is your responsibility to show any homework that was previously due. If you are absent, a zero will be input in the Gradebook for the missing assignment until you show it to me.
- If you are absent on the day of an assessment (tests or quizzes), it is the general understanding that you will take it the day you come back to class. Exceptions will only be made for extended absences.

Grading

Category	Weight
Exams	40%
Quizzes	30%
Homework	20%
Professionalism	10%

- Homework is graded mostly for completion. Occasionally the assignment will be collected and graded for accuracy. **HOWEVER!** Recently, the use of applications and sites has increased significantly. If your homework looks like it was copied or taken from such an application or site, you may be subject to receive a zero even if the assignment is graded for completion.
 - Homework is used as a tool to practice and reinforce the lesson that was taught. This is the time to make mistakes so that we can catch and fix them before graded assessments. If you find yourself struggling with the homework, that might be a sign you need to come see me for extra help. There is absolutely no benefit to using an application or site to do your homework or to copy your homework from someone who might have.
- Professionalism refers to general classroom behavior as well as the characteristics of a good student. At the beginning of each marking period, each student starts out with 50 professionalism points. Points will be deducted for actions deemed “unprofessional” (not staying on task, using electronic devices without permission, being disrespectful, etc...) The assignment will be input into the gradebook at the beginning of each quarter but will be a fluid grade, subject to change throughout the marking period.
 - Cell phones are collected at the start of each class and returned at the end of each class. Failure to comply with this will result in professionalism points being lost. The use of smart watches also falls into this category.
- Quizzes are generally given after one to two lessons and will be short assessments.
 - Each of you will maintain an assessment portfolio throughout the year. All quizzes and exams that have been graded and returned should be kept in your folder. The assessments in your portfolios may be taken home to use as study material for the midterm and final exams but must be brought back into the classroom.
 - The portfolio will be graded every quarter for completion (all quizzes and exams are accounted for) as well as accuracy (quiz and exam corrections). You may work on your corrections during any downtime in class where you have finished all your work. The assessment portfolio, as a whole, will count as a quiz for the marking period. (Specific instructions are subject to change during the year.)
 - All corrections must be done on a separate sheet of paper that is clearly labeled with what assessment you are correcting. You may use the same sheet of paper for corrections of multiple assessments.
 - Like with the homework, if the use of any application or site is detected, you may lose points for the portfolio.
- Exams are given at the end of each chapter. Sometimes, chapters may be broken up into two half-chapter exams. Each test is designed to be finished within one class period (48 minutes). Extra time is not given to individual students unless they have accommodations.