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Welcome to the 2018 - 2019 School Year

Schedule:

Block 1: Plan Block 2: Plan

Block 3: Algebra 1 Block 4: Academic Lab Block 5: College Algebra Block 6: Algebra 1

Block 7: Algebra 1 Block 8: College Algebra

Expectations:

- Always come to class prepared with completed assignment, pencil, notebook, and calculator.
- Be on time and in your seat when the bell rings, otherwise you will be considered tardy.
- Do not bring any type of food or drink into class. Water is allowed.
- Be polite, courteous, and responsible young adults. NO HATS in class! NO PHONES in class!

Supplies:

- 3 ring binder 1" or 1.5" Just for Algebra!
- 8 Dividers
- loose-leaf paper
- pencils and erasers
- calculator (you need a scientific calculator with y^x (exponent) and $\sqrt{}$ (square root) keys. If you would like to purchase a graphing calculator we recommend the TI-84 orTI-NSpire.)

Grading:

The grading scale is as follows:		Your grade will be based	Your grade will be based upon Homework,	
A:	93 - 100	Quizzes, Projects, Tests, and a Final Exam.		
A-:	90 - 92	Your grade will be calculated as follows:		
B+:	87 - 89			
B:	83 - 86	Homework	5%	
B-:	80 - 82	Quizzes	5%	
C+:	77 - 79	Assessments	70%	
C :	73 - 76	Mid-Term	5%	
C-:	70 - 72	Final (2 nd Semester split with EOC) 15%		
F:	69 or Below	Total	100%	

^{*}Each test will be worth 100% and each topic within the test will be worth an equal amount. If there are 4 sections on a test, then each section is worth 25%. If there are 5 sections on a test, then each section is worth 20%.

How can I get extra help?

- 1. Stay afterschool with Mrs. H
- 2. See Mrs. H during Ac lab.
- 3. Math Tutor Room Tues/Thurs afterschool in 1705
- 4. Schoology Website Tutorials
- 5. Parkway Website Tutorials
- 6. Sign up for Algebra 1 Tutoring with Mrs. H in the library

^{**}Any student who does not earn a C or higher first semester will earn an "F" for the semester and will need to make up that credit before being able to progress to Geometry

^{***}The number of standards completed in $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ semester can change according to student pacing.

Assessments:

- Each test will assess four to six different concepts covered in a standard.
- All homework for a given standard must be complete for a student to take the test over that standard.
- After each assessment, students will be given the opportunity to retake the test after completing a "ticket to the test" accurately. (All homework is also required to be compete.)
- Students are able to retake each test only twice.

Additional review materials are available on the Schoology.parkwayschools.net website and the Parkway website: https://www.parkwayschools.net/Page/3375

Homework:

- Homework will be assigned EVERYDAY! Homework, classwork, and quizzes are critically important since they are designed to ensure you struggle with and learn each standard.
- It is expected that each assignment is attempted in its <u>entirety</u>. I expect you to make mistakes on your assignments as it is part of the learning process, it is my hope that you will learn from these mistakes and ask for help if you need it.
- Each homework assignment will be graded out of 4 points.
- In addition, all homework must be complete for a student to take an assessment

ALL ASSIGNMENTS ARE EXPECTED TO BE DONE IN PENCIL!!

Quizzes:

- Quizzes will be given over homework and material learned from previous lessons in class on a
 regular basis. Many of these quizzes are open note/homework and therefore staying current on
 your homework is critical.
- Each quiz will be graded out of 4 20 points.

Improving your grade:

- You will have the opportunity to re-take assessments and improve your score, but only during specified days. Your new score will completely replace your previous score.
- To earn the right to re-take an assessment, you will need to produce evidence that you have improved your understanding and performance. This will include completing additional "Ticket to the Test" practice.
- Re-take assessments may be available after school, during school, or before school, but only on specified days.

Tardies:

You are allotted one tardy per semester. Additional tardies will result in after school detentions.

Absences:

Excused absences DO NOT excuse you from the work you missed. Unexcused absences will result in an after school detention and the loss of a learning opportunity. Refer to the student handbook for information on multiple unexplained absences.

Cell Phone Policy:

Cell phones are prohibited in my classroom. All phones should be set to silent or turned off and kept in backpacks for the entirety of class time, determined by the school bells. Cell phones that are out during class time will be taken away and repeat offenses will result in detentions, phone calls home, and/or the device being taken to your administrator.

I'm looking forward to a great year and I will do my best to be available to you if you have any questions or concerns. Work hard and do your best!!