**Algebra 2A Course Expectations**

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**Textbook: Big Ideas Math** Algebra 2

**Course Objectives:** During the first semester of Algebra 2, we will cover topics outlined in the Curriculum Alignment Project of the Jefferson County School District (more information is available on the district’s website). Generally, this course is designed to prepare students for Pre-Calculus.

**Classroom Requirements:**

You are expected to have these materials with you each day in class:

* ***Student Journal*** – it must be brought to class everyday
* ***Pencil –*** all graded work must be done in pencil (NO pen)
* ***Graphing AND a scientific calculator*** – you may not use the calculator on your cell phone
* ***3-ring notebook*** ***or folder***–to organize and store papers
* ***Engineering or graph paper*** – all homework must be done on this paper in homework format
* ***Water bottle*** – if you feel you will need a drink during our 90 minute period, bring a bottle with a top on it (no sodas, coffees, or pop cans please)
* ***An open mind –*** we will work together, problem solve, and get frustrated with math. Come to class prepared to work together and support each other in the process of learning math.

**Student Expectations:**

* Be respectful - I will treat you with respect. I expect you to treat everyone in the room respectfully.
* Be on time - I will be in class everyday on time, and I expect the same from you. There will always be exceptions, but those should be few and far between.
* Be prepared to learn - Cell phones and headphones are not allowed in my classroom during instruction. They should be turned off and put away. Bring your book and supplies every day.
* Come in for help – study a little each night and ask questions, DON’T CRAM.

**NO cell phones or electronics Please use the restroom between classes**

 **Grading Scale**

* + 1. A
	1. B

70-79 C

 65-69 D

 <65 F

**Extra Help**

I am available for help during 1st or 7th hours, and Panther time. Please remember, I am here to help you succeed, so use me as a resource, but you may seek extra help with any math teacher. I value your communication and effort, and I look forward to a successful semester.

**Grading procedure:**

Your final grade will be calculated based on performance in the following areas:

 Homework/Classwork 25%

 Assessments 75%

Homework will be assigned and checked every class period. No late homework is accepted for full credit unless you have had an excused absence. All late homework for a chapter must be turned in by the time the unit test is given. I will not accept it after that time! You are expected to have done all of the problems assigned in the proper format. *Try* every problem, even if you’re not confident it is correct. We will go over the homework briefly in class each day. At that time, I expect you to correct your mistakes and ask questions. Most homework will be graded based on effort, completion, and format.

There will be a cumulative test after most units. We will review for these tests in class. It is important that you keep homework assignments, quizzes and notes from each unit so that you have material to study for the test. There will be at least one quiz for each individual unit or chapter, sometimes more. Missed quizzes and tests can be made up in a timely manner, but if you have an unexcused absence for that class period, I will take 10% off your test or quiz grade. You must be in class on test days.

**Extra Credit**

I offer extra credit a few times each semester. Take advantage of these offers if you feel you might need/want some extra points in Algebra 2. This will help you avoid coming to me late in the semester to ask if there is anything you can do for extra credit. I believe it is only fair to offer it to all students at the same time.

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Please read over the math syllabus with your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached by email at dakelly@jeffco.k12.co.us (preferred method of communication) or by calling me at 303-982-8800. I am looking forward to working with you and your child this semester. Please sign below to signify that you have read and understand this syllabus, and return the bottom portion of this page (please keep the top portion for reference).

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