Course Expectations 2017 – 2018

Honors Algebra 2

**Welcome to Honors Algebra 2!**

I truly hope that you have enjoyed your summer and are ready to return to RBR for an exciting year. In Honors Algebra 2, you will experience an extension of the mathematics of Algebra 1 at an advanced and fast-paced level. This course will include topics such as polynomial operations, sequences and series, systems of equations, radicals, rational expressions, complex numbers, trigonometric functions, exponential functions and logarithms. Each of these topics, and more, will researched and reviewed thoroughly. Since this is an honors level course, please expect to devote time both in the classroom and out of the classroom to assignmentsand studying.

**Classroom Expectations:**

1. **Be Respectful** – Treat others with the kindness and encouragement. Talking while others are speaking and insulting others is inappropriate behavior that will not be tolerated in the classroom.
2. **Be Responsible** – In this class, you must show responsibility in your work and effort. All homework and assignments must be completed prior to entering the class. You will be expected to have a writing utensil and method of keeping notes, such as a binder or notebook. Tardiness will not be tolerated.
3. **Be Ready** – Everyday you will be expected to enter the classroom, ready to learn. You are expected to have all required materials such as:
   1. Textbook
   2. Notes
   3. Complete homework
   4. Graphing Calculator
4. All students are expected to abide by all rules in the student handbook.

**Rules and Procedures:**

**Tardiness:** Tardiness to class without a pass will not be accepted. Obtaining more than two lates without a pass will result in a referral.

**Bathroom/ Passes:** Only **ONE** student will be permitted out of the classroom at any time. You must have your pass book ready to be signed out to leave.

**Cell Phones/ Electronics:** As stated in the handbook, the use of electronics in the classroom is determined by the teacher. CELL PHONES ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE CLASSROOM UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. Use of a cell phone during the instructional block will result in immediate disciplinary action.

**Homework:** Homework will be assigned for every class and checked daily. All assignments are expected to be completed prior to entering the classroom. Assignments will be posted on Mrs.Wendlands’s Task Board, Cwendland.weebly.com, and on Honors Algebra 2 Google Classroom.

**Loaned Materials:** Please treat all loaned materials with great care and respect. Returned textbooks must be the textbook signed out and must have a barcode.

**Calculators:** The class has one set of classroom calculators. You will be assigned one calculator that will remain in the classroom. If you choose to use the calculator during class, you must return the calculator prior to the end of class. Calculators are an integral part of Algebra 2 and will be very useful to have throughout the year. If possible, it may be beneficial to purchase a graphing calculator for use at home.

**Dismissal:** Please remain in your seats until the bell rings for the dismissal of each class. Please do not pack up your materials or move around the classroom until the class has been concluded.

**Consequences of Inappropriate Behavior:**

*1st Offense:* Verbal Warning

*2nd Offense:* Teacher Disciplinary Action

*3rd Offense:* School Detention / Call Home

**Grade Policy**

Your quarter grade will be determined by the listed percentages in each category below.

*Homework: 10% of quarter grade*

Homework will be checked at the start of class. A fully completed assignment will earn 5 points. Any incomplete or late assignment will earn partial points. Assignments without completion will earn 0 points.

*Quizzes: 30% of quarter grade*

Quizzes will be given frequently and will cover the previous class’ lessons. These quizzes are meant to reinforce the topics discussed.

*Tests: 60% of each quarter grade*

Tests will be given at the conclusion of each topic. The tests will cover material for a unit or chapter. Tests will consist of both multiple choice and open-ended sections. In order to thoroughly understand each of the topics discussed, tests will be cumulative. There will be a minimum of three tests per marking period.

Grades will be updated in Genesis ***at least*** once every two weeks.

Your final grade will be computed as follows:

40%: Semester 1 (Marking Periods 1 and 2)

40%: Semester 2 (Marking Periods 3 and 4)

10%: Midterm

10%: Final Exam

**Missing Work:**

If you are absent, it is expected that you obtain all missed assignments and notes on the day of your return to school. Assignments will be posted on Genesis and cwendland.weebly.com.

All tests, quizzes, and mini quizzes that are missed due to an absence must be completed. You may schedule a time to complete the assignment before/after school or during study hall. Class time will not be allotted for make-up work.

If you are absent the day before a quiz or test, you must still take the quiz or test as scheduled.

\*\*\*\* All missed work due to an absence MUST be made up within 5 school days of the return to school. (Extenuating circumstances will be resolved on an individual basis)\*\*\*\*\*\*

**Extra Help:**

Please do not wait until it is too late to get extra help! I will be in room 225 after school on Wednesdays. Extra help can also be scheduled by request for a different day. Please let me know in advance if you are planning to stay after school for help.

This year will be exciting and filled with success!

~ Mrs. Wendland

Please have your parent/guardian read this handout. Please sign and return.

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