

## Course Summary – Algebra 1

Course	Teacher	Conference Times	Telephone	Room	E-mail
Algebra 1	J. Alejandro	A Day 1st period B-Day 3rd period	(956)-381-5522	140	Jocelyn.alejandro @stisd.net

**Purpose/Objective:** The goal of the math department is to provide each student with the mathematical skills and knowledge to be successful in their educational pursuits. In this case, to successfully pass Algebra 1.

### **Grade Categories and Weights:**

15% - Notes	25% - Quizzes
20% - Assignments/Daily Work	40% - Unit/Module Assessments

### **Needed Supplies:**

1. Lined paper and graph paper
2. Pencils
3. 1 ½ inch binder (Do not bring a binder bigger than 2 inches) with Dividers
4. Colored pencils or pens or highlighters (NOT MARKERS)
5. School supply pouch to hold pens, pencils, etc

**BACKPACKS** will not be allowed in my classroom, unless given permission as a reward or there is a documented medical reason. Students will have to leave them in their locker.

**20% Assignments/Daily Work.** All work is due at the designated assigned time, and will be collected at the beginning of class. Students absent on a day work is due shall submit the due assignment on the first day returning to class.

- If a student does not turn it in on time, they will have 48 hours to turn it in, or it will be given a grade of 0 (zero).
- If students turn in work, but not completed correctly, they will have it handed back and have 48 hours to turn it in, or it will be given a grade of zero.
- All homework is to be done in **PENCIL ONLY**, unless it involves some coloring/shading. Provisions can be made during tutorial afterschool and/or Lunchtime Homework Roundup for makeup work.

### **15% Notes (Binder)**

Notes will come from the following sources: teacher lecture/examples from the book/ examples from videos. These will be given a completion grade.

**Binder.** Students will be expected to maintain a Table of Contents and organize keeping of returned papers. Dividers are needed with the following notation in this order:

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| 1. Notes       | 3. Quiz |
| 2. Assignments | 4. Test |

**25% Daily Quizzes.** Students will be given quizzes almost every class period over the previous objectives. It is extremely important for them to learn and do their home & classwork, & keep up on the note taking, in order to maximize success on these quizzes.

**DAILY QUIZZES** cannot be retaken so it is in the best interest of the student to keep up with their daily homework and prepare for them.

Student Name (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

**40% Unit/Module Tests.** At the end of each module or unit there will be a comprehensive test to see student progress. **THESE CAN BE RETAKEN** on days after school specified by me.

**Semester exams may not be retested.**

**Tutorial Availability**

I will be available most Mondays & Tuesdays, with the exception of meetings or emergencies. Students should still visit me during the day to make sure I will be staying afterschool to confirm. There are 3 other Algebra I teachers. If I am not available after school, the student can feel free to get help from another teacher.

**Pyramid of Interventions.**

The objective of this class is for every student to successfully demonstrate mastery of the Texas Essential Knowledge and skills (TEKS) and the South Texas ISD Essential Learning Outcomes (ELO's) for Math. Students not successfully progressing will be assisted by the in class pyramid of interventions and the campus pyramid of interventions. These interventions will include, but not limited to:

- homework roundup during lunch for missing work;
- after school tutoring for extra help;
- having students take notes ahead of time, which helps them take more complete notes;
- assistance from the teacher during class time;
- allowing tests to be redone;
- communicating with parents.

**Use of Technology.**

Students do not need to purchase a graphing calculator as we have a class set. However, if you want your own, you may have your own personal calculator. I will use only the TI84 Plus in class.

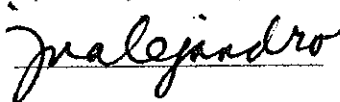
**\*Use of cell phones or charging them in class is not allowed.**

**Algebra STAAR test EOC**

In May, all students for this class will be taking an End of Course test (STAAR) that students are required to pass for credit by the district, and required to pass High School graduation. If the student does not pass the test, they will be required to take the course again in high school.

*Teacher*

Ms. Jocelyn N. Alejandro




*Math Dept. Leader*

Mr. Robert Gill



*Principal*

Mrs. Ana Castro



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Student Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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