

Kaiser

Course Summary – Algebra 1

Course	Teacher	Conference Times	Telephone	Room	E-mail
Algebra 1	Kaiser	A Day 1st period B-Day 4th period	(956)-381-5522	139	Sharon.kaiser @stisd.net

Parent Contacts: I use email a lot to maintain contact with parents. I will also make phone calls if immediate notification is required. Please make sure your phone numbers and emails are up to date. If a parent wishes to contact me by phone, the office will transfer the call if it is during my conference or they will take a message to let me know. On Thursday and Friday of each week, I have a departmental meeting 1st period on A day, and I have a team meeting 4th period on B day.

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:

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| 15% - Notes | 25% - Quizzes |
| 20% - Assignments/Daily Work | 40% - Tests |

Needed Supplies:

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

20% Assignments/Daily Work. All work is due at the designated assigned time. Students absent on a day work is due shall submit the due assignment on the first day returning to class. All homework is due at the beginning of the class hour. On some occasions there will be a need for makeup work assignments.

- If a student does not turn it in on time, they will be given a grade of zero
- Provisions can be made during tutorial afterschool and/or lunch time Homework Roundup for makeup work (this is teacher assigned)
- ALL homework is to be done in PENCIL ONLY

15% Notes(Binder check)

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 organized keeping of returned papers. Dividers are needed with the following notation in this order:

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| 1. Table of Contents | 3. Assignments | 5. Test |
| 2. Notes | 4. Quiz | |

25% Daily Quizzes. Students will be given assessments almost every class period over the previous objectives. It is extremely important for them to learn and do their classwork, and keep up on the notetaking 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 the quizzes. Stay after school for tutoring when needed.

40% Tests A comprehensive test will be given at the end of each unit. **THESE TEST CAN BE RETAKEN** whether the student failed the test or not. This will be afterschool on days specified by me. **Semester exams may not be retested.**

Tutorial Availability

I will be available most Mondays through Thursdays, with the exception of meetings or emergencies. Students will need to sign up for tutorials. 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 Algebra I. Students not successfully progressing will be assisted by the in class pyramid of interventions and the campus pyramid of interventions. These interventions will include:

- homework roundup during lunch for missing work
- after school tutoring for extra help
- work with peers
- assistance from the teacher during class time
- allowing test to be redone
- communicating with parents

Technology Use

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.

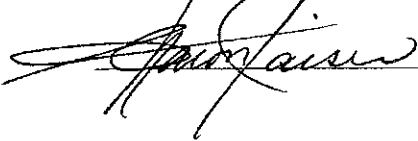
*****Use of cell phones in class or charging them is not allowed***. Cell phones will not be used and should not appear in class UNLESS the teacher has instructed.**

Algebra STAAR test EOC

In May, all students for this class will be taking an End of Course test (STAAR/ EOC) 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.

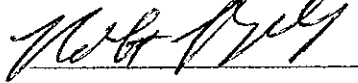
Teacher

Mrs. Sharon Kaiser



Math Dept. Leader

Mr. Robert Gill



Principal

Mrs. Ana Castro

