

COURSE NAME: Advanced Algebra

COURSE NUMBER: 3500

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Czaplewski

WEBSITE: www.geocities.com/mathczap

I. Grading Scale:

Grades are calculated by total points.

A+.....97%-100%	C+.....77%-79%
A.....93%-96%	C.....73%-76%
A-.....90%-92%	C-.....70%-72%
B+.....87%-89%	D+.....67%-69%
B.....83%-86%	D.....63%-66%
B-.....80%-82%	D-.....60%-62%
	F.....0%-59%



(**Note: I do not round percents. If you attain a 59.9% in my class, it is a failing grade.)

II. Classroom Rules:

- 1) While I am talking or giving notes there is to be absolutely NO talking.
- 2) Be in your seats and ready to go when the bell rings.
- 3) Bring your materials to class everyday. (ESPECIALLY CALCULATOR)
- 4) Only two hall passes will be given per quarter. Extra passes may be purchased for 5 points from your work ethic grade (see below) and a 10 minute detention. *{If you don't use either hall passes you will receive 5 extra credit points, If you use only one pass you will receive 2 extra credit points}*
- 5) No food/drink, or the selling of food/candy will be permitted in the classroom.
- 6) Cheating of any form will not be tolerated. If anyone is engaged in some form of cheating a zero will be given on that test, quiz, warm-up etc.
- 7) Any behavior, which inhibits the learning of others, is forbidden in the class.

**Detentions are given for violations of these rules.

III. Homework:

Homework will be assigned nearly everyday. The assignments will not be long (around 30 minutes most of the time). I expect you to copy down the problems and show all work necessary, even if it is just done on the calculator. Each homework assignment is worth two points if it is on time. These two points will be given if every problem is attempted. Homework is very important and is graded twice. Two points for attempting it, and it is also counted on the notebook check. (see below)

IV. Warm-ups:

At the beginning of most classes a warm-up will be handed out. This will consist of a few problems from recent lessons. Five points are awarded for each warm-up.

V. Notebook Checks:

Every chapter a notebook check will be given on the previous chapter's work. A notebook check is a quiz on notes and homework. No thinking is involved for this. If you take notes and do homework, all of these will be 100%. An example of a homework question may be: Section 2-4 / page 65 / #3. An example of a class notes question may be: Section 3-2 / Example #2. You just look through your notebook and copy down these problems. Each notebook check is worth 30 points. If you are absent it is your responsibility to get the notes from a friend in class.

VI. Tests and Quizzes:

One 100 point test and one 30 point mid-chapter quiz will be given per chapter. If you are gone the day of a test expect to take it on the day you get back. There also may be a chapter project during some chapters.

VII. Work Ethic:

At the beginning of each quarter you are given 25 points for a work ethic grade. These 25 points will stay until the end of the quarter, however you may loose from these points in the following manner:

2-point loss = - Not bringing supplies (calculator is crucial to bring daily)

5-point loss = - Not working when given work-time.

- Tardy (not in your seat when the bell rings)

- Any rule violations

- Additional hall passes

10-point loss = Sent out of room because of behavior

VIII. Extra Credit:

Grade slips will be given out after each chapter test if a parent signs your grade slip you will receive 2 points extra credit. Other extra credit will be given throughout the year.

IX. Suggestions:

To be successful in this class it is imperative that you complete your homework on time, take notes in class and study for tests. I am available for help almost everyday. Please come in if you are having difficulties. I believe class should be a work like atmosphere with much dedication and hard work. I do my best to relate the math to the everyday world and bring in interesting problems. I also do what I can to make the class exciting and at times it can be fun. But remember you are here to learn and get the most out of this class.

We have read the course outline:

(Return to Mr.C)

Student Signature_____

Parent Signature_____

Phone number_____

Best time to call_____

