

After completing this course, students will be able to (1) simplify and evaluate algebraic expressions, (2) solve equations, (3) graph linear equations and inequalities, (4) simplify and factor polynomials, and (5) solve real-world problem sets dealing with all of the above concepts.

Required Materials:

1. Textbook - Holt Algebra I (2007)
2. Lecture notebook
3. Pencils

NOTE: NO PENS

Course Outline:

1. Lecture notes will be given daily and the material from the lectures will appear on tests, quizzes, and class work (all counting for grades). Students who wish to perform well in class should record all notes in a notebook strictly reserved for math.
2. Quizzes will be given weekly. If unannounced, they will count as bonus points on the chapter test.
3. Tests will be given at the end of every chapter. They will be announced in class and on-line two to three days in advance. This provides a prepared student adequate time to review.
4. Anyone absent from school (for an excused reason) during a test or a quiz will take a make-up test/quiz (during class or after school). If a student misses a test or a quiz due to a school activity and fails to warn Mrs. Misiewicz of the conflict in advance of the absence, they will be penalized with a point deduction on the make-up test.
5. Homework will be given every night. Note this work will not be graded. Homework not done to the student's best ability (including the problem, the work, and the solution) will earn them a zero for homework. Zeros add up!
6. Class work, however, will be graded, as noted below. Class work will be defined as the one to three problems assigned after randomly chosen lectures. The students will be given at least 15 minutes, at the end of these lectures, to complete these problems: independent of teacher/student assistance. The solutions will be done on loose-leaf, and handed in prior to the students leaving class on that same day. Absentees must make up all class work, after making arrangements with Mrs. Misiewicz.
7. A notebook, organizing all of the class notes and homework for the course, must be kept for the course. The notebook will be graded at the end of every quarter. The grade will count in conjunction with the class work grade and count for 20% of your average.
8. The course schedule will be posted every week on the Churchwerks website. This allows every student whether in class or absent to remain current with their daily assignments.....no excuses.

Assessment:

Homework	20%
Classwork/Notebook	20%
Quizzes	20%
Tests	40%

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE: Any parent wishing to contact me with any questions or concerns may do so via e-mail (jmisiewicz@shhslions.com) or phone (856-691-4491 Ext 1202). Students may not e-mail or call me at any time. If a student has any questions, they must see me after class.