

# PRE-ALGEBRA

Prentice Hall Pre-Algebra, 2004 edition

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#### Course Description

Pre-Algebra is a course that will build upon all that was learned last year in mathematics. Topics covered will be decimals, integers, fractions, exponents, ratios, proportions, percents, the solving of equations and inequalities, geometry, data analysis, sequences, functions, graphing, and probability. While we continue to build a strong foundation of the fundamentals, the focus of this course will be using these skills to solve problems.

## **Class Rules and Expectations**

- \*Show respect for others at all times during math class
- \* Do not talk during instruction
- \*Be prepared for math class with all materials each day (binder, notebook, pencils, and homework)
- \*Do all math work in pencil
- \*Pay close attention in class, take detailed notes, and ask questions if something is unclear
- \*Remain in your seat during instruction

### **Grading/Weighting**

We will adhere to the St. Timothy's grading scale.

A 93-100 B 85-92 C 77-84 D 70-76 F Below 70

#### Homework-25%

**Classwork-75%** (Tests, quizzes, graded classwork, pop quizzes) In the **Classwork** category, the weights will generally be:

Tests-100, Quizzes and Graded Classwork -50, pop quizzes - 25. However, teachers may adjust the weighting when appropriate. All weights will be indicated in the title of the assignment on Veracross.

## Homework is graded on effort and completion only:

100% = complete, work shown and organized

50% = work turned in late

0% = homework not turned in, incomplete, missing work or steps

\*Student may receive 80% if completed homework reflects a problem in comprehension

\*It is strongly encouraged that students turn in any "NTI" work the following day in order to receive a 50%

# **Academic Procedures**

- \*Make up Work: We will follow the Make Up work policy stated in the STS Middle School handbook. It is a student's responsibility to check Veracross when absent to find out the missed assignment and to turn in the make-up work within the allowed time.
- \*Extra Credit: I do not assign extra credit projects. Each test has a bonus question that serves as extra credit.
- \*Assessments: Tests and quizzes are given periodically to assess student understanding at a specific point and time. Re-takes are granted to students who earn a D or F on an assessment. The retake grade will replace the original grade, however the highest grade possible on a re-take shall be a 77%.
- \*Extra Help is held on Thursday afternoons. Pick up is promptly at 3:30 pm in carpool. Students should come prepared to Extra Help with questions with which they are having trouble. I cannot guarantee one-on-one time during extra help sessions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have a question or concern.

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