Hill Country Middle School
Pre AP Algebra I
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Tutoring Time: By Appointment
Conference Time: 9:31 - 10:23

Course Description:

This course is designed to meet the needs of students who will be continuing their study of Pre AP level of mathematics through four years of high school and then into college. Techniques and procedures of problem solving are stressed with emphasis on the understanding of concepts and "how" students arrive at their solutions. Students may have to "gear-up" to a new level of study since a new topic will be covered each day.

Materials Required:

- Spiral notebook (not to be shared with any other class!!!)
- Graph paper
- **Plenty** of pencils
- TI-84 graphing calculator (Highly recommended)

Textbook: McGraw Hill Algebra I. Replacement cost = $75

Homework policy:

- **Homework will be posted in each day's folder in Google Classroom .**
- All homework must be completed on time and **in pencil**.
- Assignments are due at the beginning of class the next day.
- Students with excused absences only are allowed to make up work for full credit. Per district policy, students are given "**a day for a day**" to turn in their missed assignment.
- Students are responsible for obtaining their own missing assignments.
- All work must be shown legibly on your homework paper. **No work = No Credit.**
- **LATE WORK WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

Grading:

Eanes ISD Middle School teachers are committed to grading and assessing in the best interest of our students. We believe grades and assessments communicate content knowledge, guide instruction, and reveal opportunities for enrichment and intervention.

9week averages will be computed using the following district-developed percentages:

70% Tests
20% Quizzes
10% Daily work (HW / CW/Learning checks)

Semester averages will be computed using the following district-developed percentages:

40% 1st 9-week cycle grade
40% 2nd 9-week cycle grade
20% Semester Exam

Retest Policy:

All Pre-AP Algebra teachers in the Eanes school district will offer one retest opportunity per grading period. At the end of each grading period, all Pre-AP Algebra students will take a "**Quarterly Final**" to assess their cumulative knowledge of the content taught that quarter. The grade the student earns on their Quarterly Final can **replace the student's lowest Unit Test grade**. If the Quarterly Final is the lowest test grade, then the grade will not count.

Class Expectations:

Be seated in your assigned seat before the late bell rings. Keep your hands, feet, and objects to yourself. Follow directions the first time they are given.

Very Important Reminders:
*This class **IS** for high school credit. Your grade **WILL** show up on your high school transcript (whether you pass or fail). Your grade will **NOT**, however, average into your high school grade point average (GPA).

Policy for Integrity and Honesty:
*****All students caught cheating will receive an office referral and their parents will be notified.

*All students involved in the act of cheating will receive a zero on the assignment or test. This includes both the person caught cheating and the person who gave away their answers and/or work.

*All students caught cheating will receive an "N" in conduct for that six week grading period.

Most important rule of class is have fun and enjoy Math.