

Welcome to Algebra with Ms. Winzeler

DISTANCE LEARNING

Students will be starting school this quarter virtually. We will be utilizing Google Classroom and Google Meet to hold classes and provide direct instruction. Students will be following their class schedule and can find a link to our Google Meet in their Geometry Google Classroom. Students are highly encouraged to attend classes every day, but I will be making a recording of instruction for students who cannot attend or need to share devices.

Bell Schedule		
Period	Start	End
1 st	9:02 am	10:08 am
2 nd	10:12 am	11:18 am
3 rd	11:22 am	12:28 pm
4 th	12:32 pm	1:38 pm
5 th	1:42 pm	2:48 pm
6 th	2:52 pm	3:58 pm

Lunch Schedule		
Lunches	Start	End
2B	10:48am	11:18am
3A	11:22am	11:52am
3B	11:58am	12:28pm
4A	12:32pm	1:02pm
4B	1:08pm	1:38pm
5A	1:42pm	2:12pm

GOOGLE CLASSROOM

- Google Classroom will be the platform for virtual instruction as the school year begins. Any instructional videos, links, materials, communication, or assignments will be posted here. We will use Google Meets for live synchronous class discussion, students questions, and immediate feedback.
- Students are encouraged to check their classroom daily. When we return to in-person schooling, Google Classroom will remain a useful tool for absent students to access material they missed.
- Parents will be added to Google Classroom as a guardian and will receive weekly progress updates. Please check your email to accept the invitation. When you accept the invitation in one class, your email address is automatically linked in all your child's Google Classrooms.

SUGGESTED MATERIALS

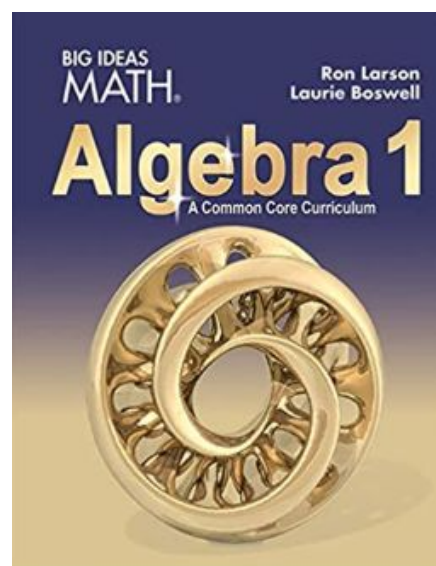
- Composition Notebook
- Pocket Folder
- Pencils/Paper
- Graphing Calculator (TI 84 models recommended, please contact me with any questions)

ONLINE TEXTBOOK/HOMEWORK PORTAL

- Students will use a personalized portal, **Clever**, to access our online textbook and video links, complete homework assignments, and explore additional math resources.
- The majority of daily math assignments will be posted in Clever. Students will receive immediate feedback on their work and have the opportunity to redo incorrect problems prior to submitting the assignment and receiving their grade.

ALGEBRA (PROJECTED) COURSE OF STUDY

- **Quarter 1**
 - Chapter 1 Solving Linear Equations*
 - Chapter 2 Solving Linear Inequalities*
 - Chapter 3 Graphing Linear Functions
- **Quarter 2**
 - Chapter 4 Writing Linear Functions
 - Chapter 5 Solving Systems of Linear Equations
 - Chapter 6 Exponential Functions and Sequences
- **Quarter 3**
 - Chapter 6 (continued)
 - Chapter 7 Polynomial Equations and Factoring
 - Chapter 8 Graphing Quadratic Functions
 - Chapter 9 Solving Quadratic Equations
- **Quarter 4**
 - Chapter 10 Radical Functions and Equations
 - Chapter 11 Data Analysis and Displays
 - Probability Unit (supplemental resource)



*Several lessons in Chapters 1 and 2 review Pre-Algebra concepts.

GRADING POLICY

- Assessments will be weighted at 80% of the quarter grade, and Homework/Classwork weighted at 20%.
- Students will not have an option to retake assessments, though concepts spiral and students will have additional opportunities to demonstrate mastery. Test corrections are required for learning, but will not impact a student's recorded grade.
- Semester grades will be calculated using a 45/45/10% formula, with each quarter weighted 45% and the semester exam worth 10% of the overall grade.

MISSING AND LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY

- Missing assignments will be marked with an "M" in the Infinite Campus online gradebook and will count as zeros until they are made up.
- Late assignments will receive a reduction in points as follows:
 - 1 day late – 10% reduction
 - 2 days to 1 week late – 50% reduction (Assignments later than one week will not be accepted).

ABSENT WORK (When we return to the classroom)

- Per district policy, when a student is absent they are allotted one extra day per day of absence to make up missing assignments. However, the majority of math assignments are online and can be completed remotely.
- Electronic copies of any printed assignments will always be available in Google Classroom.
- When students return to school, math assignments will be posted in Infinite Campus.
- It is the **student's responsibility** to retrieve and submit missed work from their absence.

TUTORING

- Need additional help outside of class? Tutoring is available every Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. This will occur via Google Meet until students return to campus. Students can also contact me via the Remind app.

CONTACT INFORMATION

- I will send class updates via Remind. Parents and students can sign up for Ms. Winzeler's Geometry Remind by texting **@WinzAlgSJH** to 81010. Students with cell phones are **highly encouraged** to download the Remind app to stay updated and to communicate with me.
- Please feel free to email me at winzeler.sarah@cusd80.com with any questions.

FOLLOW US

- Make sure to follow us on Instagram @santangiftedacademy for the latest news from Santan Gifted Academy!

Helpful Tips for Distance Learning

1. Find a quiet workspace.
 - a. Mute cell phones and other devices and turn off the TV, other computers, music, etc.
 - b. Check the background that will be visible if you are onscreen.
 - c. Let family members know when "class is in session" so you are not interrupted.
2. Try to take care of your personal needs before sitting down to the device.
3. Follow norms for communication during live lessons or when sharing ideas on Google Classroom:
 - a. Take turns.
 - b. Treat each other with kindness and respect when speaking or writing.
 - c. Mute audio when not speaking.
 - d. Speak clearly.
 - e. Use the chat feature to post questions or comments similarly to how you would speak if called on in class. Please do not use this feature for sidebar conversations with classmates.
4. Come ready to learn and focus on the task at hand.
5. If you cannot attend a class session, let your teacher know via email or Remind and check Google Classroom for missing work.
6. Complete your own work to the best of your ability. If you have questions, please ask during class or office hours. I am more than happy to help.