

# Cashmere Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Algebra 1 Ms. Gaspers

## Introduction

Welcome to Algebra 1! I am looking forward to working with you this year in your first high school mathematics course. Our curriculum will be challenging, but with effort we can ensure a successful year!

### **Expectations**

We will follow the schoolwide expectations for Cashmere Middle School. In the classroom, we will follow three simple, but important guidelines:

- 1. Show Respect
- 2. Be Engaged
- 3. Solve Problems

We will discuss these further at the beginning of the year and agree on what they mean to us as a class. If we can adhere to these guidelines, we can create a positive learning environment for everyone!

# <u>Grading</u>

This is a high school class and will be on a traditional grading scale. The breakdown is as follows:

 $A \rightarrow 100-93, A \rightarrow 92.99-90, B \rightarrow 89.99-87, B \rightarrow 86.99-83, B \rightarrow 82.99-80$ 

 $C+\rightarrow 79.99-77, C\rightarrow 76.99-73, C-\rightarrow 72.99-70, D+\rightarrow 69.99-67, D\rightarrow 66.99-60, F\rightarrow 59.99-0$ 

## <u>Categories</u>

Tests & Quizzes → 85% Assignments → 15%

# **Homework**

As this is a high school class, homework will be an expectation. Time will often be given in class to work on assignments and the remainder of the work will need to be completed at home. This can be anticipated 3 to 4 nights a week.

### **Topics and Standards**

The scope and sequence of this course is aligned to the Common Core State Standards as outlined by the Big Ideas Math Algebra 1 Common Core Curriculum.

### Skyward

This will be the primary system for communicating grading. When work is assigned, the expectation is that it is finished (this means completed, checked, and corrected). Not all assignments will be graded. The gradebook will be updated within two school days, in most cases, the day the assignment is due.

## **Contact Information**

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Please do not hesitate to email me with questions or concerns and will do my best to respond in a timely manner.

Γhank you for your time and consideration.	
Student Signature	_Date
Parent Signature	Date