Welcome to Miss Willis’ Algebra 1 Class!

“My students feel smart and challenged in my class. They know they belong here.”

-Miss Willis’ Mission Statement

Course Overview

Algebra I is an extension of the concepts taught in previous math courses. Algebra I topics focus on the real number system, quantities, expressions, polynomials, equations, inequalities, functions, similarity, right triangles, and probability.

Online Resources

- Miss Willis’ Website – https://www.misswillismath.weebly.com/
- Online Pearson Textbook – Available by logging in at https://www.pearsonsuccessnet.com/

Student Expectations

1. Maintain High Levels of Respect at All Times
2. Be Present in Class
3. Manage Your Communication Device
4. Always Turn in Quality Work

All school policies will be enforced.

Homework

- Online Math XL assignments will be due at noon the day after class was held. Please note that this due date is BEFORE the next block day. Plan accordingly and come in for tutoring in the morning if you were unable to finish any of the problems.
- Plan on having 20-30 questions from the textbook assigned each block day. These assignments will be due the next class period. I recommend finishing these paper assignments at the same time as the Math XL assignments so you have time to come in for tutoring on the non-block day, if needed.
- Quality work is expected. This means that the handwriting is legible and all the steps are shown in an organized fashion. Use plenty of paper! Do not try to cram all your work on a single paper. Please use the format I showed you in the How to Do Your Homework video. You can access this video by going to the resources page on our class website.
- Do NOT fake/wing your way through the homework! Homework is a tool for you and me to measure whether or not you understand the concepts. Faking your work will hurt you instead of help you because only 20% of your grade depends on homework and 70% depends on your test scores. Doing the homework correctly will help you do well on the tests.
**Tutoring**
- I will be available after school for tutoring on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays until 3:30. If you don’t understand a concept or just have some questions, come see me! I would love to help you.

**Latework**
- Assignments are expected to be turned in on time. Our school-wide policy is as follows. Please note that these are calendar school days not block days.
  - 1st Day Late – 80% Credit
  - 2nd Day Late – 60% Credit
  - 3rd Day Late – No Credit

**Test Retakes**
- Any student that receives a test score lower than 70% is REQUIRED to retake that test. They must come in for at least one tutoring session before retaking their test. Their final score will be determined by averaging both test scores.
- Students may retake tests if they are not satisfied with their score even if it is above 70%. Their final score will also be determined by averaging the first and second test scores.

**Absences**
- Absent students are expected to be proactive and visit the class website to find out what they missed, attempt the material on their own, and come to me with any questions they may have.
- Students are allowed to make up missing assignments in the Homework and Test categories based on the number of days they are absent. Missing assignments in the Participation category cannot be made up.

**Grades**

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I am looking forward to a great year with you! Please review this syllabus with your parents and then have them go on my website to complete the short survey. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. I can’t wait to make this a fantastic year with you!

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