

Course Content

Language & Tools of Algebra	Analyzing Data
Integers and Exponents	Plane Geometry
Rational and Real Numbers	Perimeter, Area, and Volume
Collecting and Displaying Data	Equations and Inequalities
Additional Topics: Probability, Percents, and Ratios	

Course Material:

It is your responsibility to come prepared to class everyday with:

- Pencil
- Textbook
- Folder
- Notebook
- Calculator

Note: The student is responsible for the calculator and textbook that they are assigned. The student will receive fines for missing calculators and textbooks as well as any damages to these.

Grading Policy:

Percentage grades will be calculated by dividing total earned points by total possible points. You may be evaluated by any or all of the following:

- Notebook Grade
- Tests /Quizzes
- Homework
- In Class Assignments
- Projects
- Participation

Course Policies:

Absences/Make-up Work:

- When returning from an absence, it is your responsibility to make up all missed work. In addition, you need to get notes from a peer that was in class. There will be a folder at the back of the classroom with all make-up work.
- If you are turning in homework that is late due to an EXCUSED absence, write ABSENT at the top of the assignment. If not, you will receive half credit.
- If you miss a test or quiz, it is your responsibility to make arrangements to make-up the assessment.
- Homework may be turned in late for half credit. Late homework assignments for a given chapter will not be accepted after the chapter test.

Classroom Expectations:

- Be prepared and responsible

- Be in your seats and ready to work when the bell rings. After three tardies, a discipline referral will be sent to the Dean for an after school detention
- You must show ALL work on homework assignments and assessments for full credit.
- Cheating will NOT be tolerated.
- Respect not only the teacher, but your peers as well.

How Can I Improve my Grade?

No extra credit will be given, instead use the following methods to improve your grade:

- Get help from your teacher in the morning before school
- Get help from your teacher during advisory period
- Get help from your teacher after school. (I am willing to stay to help you when needed, just see me to make an appointment)
- Utilize the online textbook resources my.htw.com
 - Tutorial videos
 - Lesson outlines and chapter quizzes
 - Homework help
- Complete your homework thoroughly, do not just do it to get it done.
- Ask your teacher questions during class
- Take good notes
- Study with a friend
- Bonus opportunities will be given on every test, take advantage of these
- Show ALL work on homework and tests. I cannot give you partial credit if you do not show your work.
- Look back at examples in your book
- When you are absent from class, make up all missed work and get extra help to understand the material you missed.
- **Take responsibility for your own success, do not wait until you are too far behind.**