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Algebra Readiness

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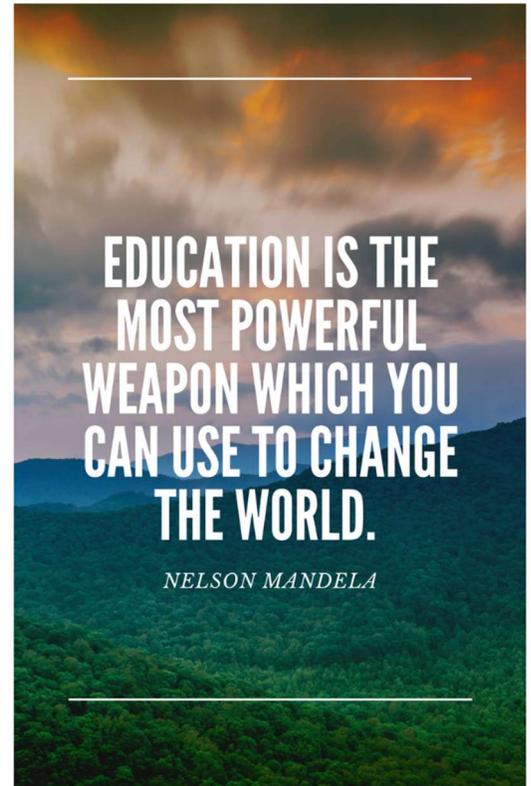
What do I need to bring to class every day?

- iPad
- Pencil
- Positivity

Course Objectives

Upon completion of **Semester 1** of Algebra Readiness, students will have a working understanding of the following concepts:

- Adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing rational numbers
- Fractions
- Solving real-world problems with operations of rational numbers
- Place Value



Textbook?

We will not be using a textbook. It will be very important for you to take notes in class or to reference the completed notes on One Note.

What are the expectations for ALL?

- Be **respectful**. Treat yourself, your classmates, the teacher and the school with respect.
- Show **responsibility**. Come to class on time, homework completed, ready with all materials and a positive attitude.
- Accept the challenge of **rigor**. Be an active learner even if the work is difficult. It's ok to not know, it is not ok to not try.
- Build **relationships**. We are a classroom community. We will struggle together and celebrate together. Be kind and helpful to each other.

Cheating: Any violation of the Integrity Policy outlined in your Packer Planner will result in a 0 grade for that assignment or test. You will **not** have an opportunity to earn those points back. If you feel too stressed about an upcoming test and begin to think about cheating, please come talk to me and we will work together to get you caught up.

Cell Phone and Earbud Use: Out of sight, out of use

- Cell phones **must** be put away while in the classroom. No exceptions.
 - 1st offense: I will deliver your phone to the main office, and you may pick it up at the end of the day.
 - 2nd offense: I will deliver your phone to the main office, and a parent/guardian will have to pick up the phone at end of day.
 - 3rd offense: I will deliver your phone to the main office and administration will schedule a family meeting.
- Earbuds are allowed ONLY during independent work time.
 - Do not use your phone to listen to music- you may use your iPad.
 - 1st offense: I will remind you to put your earbuds away.
 - 2nd offense: I will deliver your earbuds to the main office, and you may pick them up at the end of the day.

Late Work: Assignments can be turned in until the corresponding unit test for full credit. Anything turned in after the corresponding unit test will receive zero credit.

Missed Work/Makeup Work: You are responsible for completing any work that you were absent for. All completed class notes can be found on One Note. If you are struggling to learn the material on your own, you need to make arrangements with me to get caught up.

- *Excused absences:* If you are not present in class due to an excused absence (illness or family emergency) on the day of a test or when an assignment is due, you need to be prepared to turn the work in on the day you return to school. If you know you will be gone in advance, make arrangements with me prior to your absence.
- *Unexcused absences:* Missed work, as the result of an unexcused absence will result in a 0. Absences on test days may result in taking the test before or after school, or during your study hall.
- If you miss 10 class periods, you might not receive credit for this class. See the WFHS student handbook for details.

Tardiness: A tardy is any situation in which you arrive to class late or unprepared. 5 unexcused tardies will result in a Pack Referral and one hour of detention.

Oppressive Language: The words we use are powerful. We must choose them wisely and make sure they are not used to put one another down or turn someone's identity into an insult. Inappropriate language will not be tolerated and can result in a Pack Referral, detention and meeting with a principal.

Start of Class: Enter class quickly and quietly. If you are not focused OR distract your classmates while starting class, you will be asked to reenter the classroom. The bell does not start class. You start class; don't waste our important time together.

Food and Drink: Drinks with a non-spill lid are allowed in class. Other beverages and food are not allowed. Do not make a mess! I do not have time to clean up after you. Be respectful of this shared space.

End of Class: Just like the bell doesn't start class, the bell does not end class. I will give you permission to pack up your belongings and materials. Desk space and any mess made must be cleaned. If you borrowed something from me, RETURN IT. Thank you.

Leaving the Room: If you need to leave the room for ANY reason, make an e-hall pass. Only one person is allowed to leave the room at a time.

Before you speak:
THINK

T = Is it True?

H = Is it Helpful?

I = Is it Inspiring?

N = Is it Necessary?

K = Is it Kind?

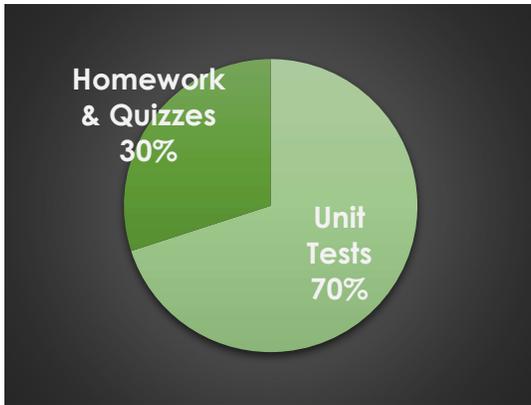
How do I check my grades or get missed work?

All lesson plans and materials (notes, homework, etc.) can be found on **Schoology**. You will log into Schoology regularly to check lesson plans, get missed assignments, watch videos, participate in class discussions, and much more. We will discuss using Schoology more in class.

Grades can be found in **PowerSchool**. Visit the following web-site to check your grades:

<https://west-fargo.ps.state.nd.us/public/home.html>

How is my grade calculated?



Grades are **weighted by category**, meaning some points are worth more than others. **Tests** are a large part of your grade. This is a math department policy.

A	90% - 100%
B	80% - 89%
C	70% - 79%
D	60% - 69%
F	0% - 59%

Tests: Tests are LARGE part of your grade. It is important that you do your best to prepare.

Homework: Homework will be completed on paper and via IXL.

What if I have questions or need help?

Please contact me! I am here to help.

You may reach me by email at zpage@west-fargo.k12.nd.us or you may send me a message through Schoology. You can expect me to respond to emails Monday-Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm.