

## Mrs. Lori Thompson

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Classroom: 215H

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# 21<sup>st</sup> Century Algebra I Syllabus

## Course Description

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Students enrolled in this class will be exposed to a variety of instructional methods designed to supplement their regular math course. Methods include, but are not limited to IXL, group work, board work, and whole class pre-teaching & re-teaching.

IXL is an online system of interactive academic lessons. I will score each IXL skill out of 8 total points. It is based on your progress on individual skills so if you are at 70% complete, you will earn a score of 7/8. If you only completed 62%, you would get a score of 6.2/8

You will not have time to work on homework for your regular Algebra class. This isn't a study hall.

By passing this class you can earn an elective credit. It does not count as 1 of your 3 required math credits.

## Class Materials

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- Ipad and stylist both charged
- Pencil with an eraser

## Expectations

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- Please be on time with your ipad and stylist charged.
- This is not a study hall but there will be times you can ask me questions about an assignment you got from your regular Algebra teacher.
- I'll be doing several written checks for understanding so it's very important you are in class!

## Homework, Quizzes, and Tests

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- You will **not** be given homework assignments. The purpose of this class is to HELP you pass your current Algebra class by providing you will supplemental activities and lessons.
- You will **not** have quizzes or tests, only practice quizzes and tests.

## Grading

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- You will get a grade of SA (satisfactory – passed) or UN (unsatisfactory – did not pass).  
You earn an SA if your overall grade is 75% or higher.  
You earn a UA if your overall grade is less than 75%.
- Your grade is based 60% on participation (completing daily work, practice quizzes, and practice tests), and 40% on growth progress on IXL

## **Attendance & Tardiness**

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- If you know you are going to miss class (sick, appointments, sports, music, etc.) please let me know and also check Schoology to see what needs to be done.
- See student handbook for updated attendance/tardy policy.

## **Cell Phone and Earbud Use:**

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- See Student Handbook for the policy.

## **Hats and hoods**

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- Hats are allowed in my classroom but I will ask you to remove them for quizzes and tests.
- I really prefer that you don't have your hood up, but they are allowed.
- If you have your hood up and I suspect you also have earbuds in, I may ask you to remove your hood. To help you be successful I want to be sure I have 100% of your attention.

## **Availability**

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- If you need help, communicate with me! Talk to me in class or email me. If I don't respond within a day, please email me again. I will never be ignoring you but might have just missed your email.
- I am usually at school by 7:45 and can help most days after school as well.
- If you need help during a time that I am not available, go to the math office 220H. Just knock, someone will wave you in, and there should be a teacher to help you.
- Sign up for WIN's