Algebra 1

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Welcome to Algebra 1! I am excited to be your Algebra 1 teacher for this new hybrid and virtual challenge. We will be conducting class via Schoology and WebEx, and some of you will be coming in face to face eventually. I am excited to meet those of you that are!

I. Rules and Expectations

During our Face to Face or WebEx Meetings it important for you to ALWAYS DISPLAY MOTT **PRIDE**. Be **P**repared, Be **R**espectful, Be **I**nvolved, Be **D**etermined, Be **E**nthusiastic

	WebEx Meetings	Face to Face Meetings		
Prepared	Students are expected to be online with all materials necessary at the start of each meeting. These materials include • Algebra 1 Textbook • Algebra 1 Notebook • Pencil or Pen • Calculator or access to the Online Calculator	Students are expected to be in class with all necessary materials. These materials include • Algebra 1 Textbook • Algebra 1 Notebook • Pencil or Pen • Calculator		
Respectful	Students are expected to listen and be polite towards other students and the teachers. Students are expected to mute themselves during WebEx meetings. When you participate please unmute yourself and then remute yourself when you are doing speaking. This avoids background noise that can be really distracting. Students are expected to use professional language. Students are expect to avoid distractions as best as possible. This means, cell phones should not be used during WebEx meetings.	Students are expected to listen and be polite towards other students and the teachers. Students are expected to use professional language. Students are expect to avoid distractions. This means, cell phones should be put away unless asked to take them out.		

Involved	Students are expected to participate in all WebEx meetings, be engaged and offer input into classroom discussions, group activities and individual activities.	Students are expected to participate, be engaged and offer input into classroom discussions, group activities and individual activities. Please do not put your head down.		
	Students are expected to say Good Morning or Good Afternoon for attendance!			
	If put into breakout rooms, students are expected to work with their classmates in a productive manner.			
Determined	Students are expected to be on time for meetings.	Students are expected to be on time for class.		
	Students are expected to use their meeting time wisely.	Students are expected to use their class time wisely.		
Enthusiastic	Students are expected to have a positive attitude during meetings.	Students are expected to have a positive attitude during class. Students are expected to be		
	Students are expected to be supportive of new ideas and classmates in the meeting.	supportive of new ideas and classmates in the meeting.		

II. School Issued Email & Email Communication

Each of you has a school issued email address. It is "studentnumber@wcskids.net". The password is your school issued password. You are expected to be checking that email, as all communication with me will go through Schoology and/or that email address. When sending an email, please sign your name, indicate the course, hour, and be specific with what you are asking. Please re read your email before you hit send to be sure it is clear, specific and respectful.

III. Absences, Sickness & Extended Absences

Absences still need to be communicated and called into the attendance hotline. The phone number is on the Warren Mott website.

If you are sick or need to be off school for an extended period of time for some reason, please contact me so we can make arrangements on due dates, assignments and how to get the lessons.

IV. Grading

You final grades are found in PowerSchool, not Schoology. There is a Schoology gradebook, but that is not the official gradebook. There are sometimes additional things added into PowerSchool that may not be put Schoology. Please check PowerSchool regularly for your official grade!

Your quarter grade will be determined by weighted points, based on the WCS Grading Policy. The following categories will be weighted with the corresponding percentages.

Test and Quizzes will be worth 75% Classwork and Homework will be worth 25%

The following percentages will represent the corresponding grades:

Above 98%	A+	83% - 86%	В	70% - 72%	C-	50% - 59%	Ε
93% - 97%	Α	80% - 82%	B-	67% - 69%	D+	Below 49%	F
90% - 92%	A-	77% - 79%	C+	63% - 66%	D		
87% - 89%	B+	73% - 76%	С	60% - 62%	D-		

Semester grades will be weighted 40% first quarter, 40% second quarter and 20% final exam. A student must receive a grade of a D- or higher and pass 2 of the 3 categories to receive credit for the semester.

V. Assessments

Assessment will be given in various forms. You will be given traditional tests and quizzes and other types of assessment conducive to online learning.

- Tests or quizzes may be given during your WebEx Meeting time, Face to Face time or on your own time. Typically, they will be given without the use of notes depending on the circumstances. You will need to ensure your phones, headphones or any other electronics are put away. You may use a calculator if I permit it, but not your phone calculator. If I see any unpermitted technology, you will be given a zero and written up for academic dishonesty. You are also not allowed to communicate with other students during assessments. Again, if I see any of this happening, you will be given a zero and written up for academic dishonesty. If tests or quizzes are given on Schoology you are expected to comply with the instructions and due dates on Schoology. These may include one attempt or multiple attempts depending on the circumstances.
- Assessments may include recordings of yourself explaining things. In this case, you would need to
 explain the work on camera. You would show all your work as well in the video. The video would be
 submitted to me through Schoology.
- Assessments may include presenting things to your classmates during WebEx meetings. Again, you would be given a due date in advance and given a chance to get any help you need during my office hours.

VI. Homework and Classwork

- I do not collect every assignment and/or grade every assignment. Some assignments are strictly for your practice, some of them will be graded for right and wrong and some of them will be graded for completeness. It will be indicated in Schoology, or verbally if we are face to face, if an assignments needs to be submitted and will be graded. Sometimes I will simply put the answer key up and expect you to check yourself. This gives you the opportunity to ask questions about problems you do not understand, but it might just be practice for an assessment.
- I will give you clear due dates in Schoology. Assignments will be due at the time indicated. If it is not turned in on time, the assignment will be marked missing and not given full credit. You may receive half credit, if you turn the assignment in late.
 ***No late work will be accepted after the final assessment for that concept has been given.
- Please make sure you are doing your own work. If I can determine you are copying someone else's
 work, or using your phone to just look up answers, you will be given a zero and written up for
 academic dishonesty. Assignments leading up to test or quiz day are designed for you to learn
 and practice the skills you will need. This is the time you want to be asking questions and ensuring
 you will be able to perform on bigger assessments.
- No matter what the assignment, you must show your work! This is the only way for me to determine where you went wrong if you are struggling!

IF YOU ARE HAVING TROUBLE ACCESSING
SCHOOLOGY, POWERSCHOOL, SCHOOL
EMAIL, or anything else, please contact me so
I can help you!

You need to advocate for yourself and be
proactive.

Self-advocacy and organization are some of
the best life skills you will learn during this
situation!!!