# Naperville North High School Algebra with Geometry

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#### Mission

To educate students to be self-directed learners, collaborative workers, complex thinkers, quality producers, and community contributors

# **Course Description**

This course is designed for students who have a mastery level of integer and fraction operations, solving linear equations and an introduction to linear functions. This fast-paced course will allow students to complete Algebra 1 and Geometry in one year. A major emphasis will be placed on the integration of algebra and geometry skills and concepts. Students with a grade lower than 73% at semester will be placed in Algebra 1 second semester. Students successfully completing this course will meet the Illinois state graduation requirements for both Algebra 1 and Geometry. A graphing calculator may be used in this course, but is not required (TI-84 + recommended if purchasing). Note: some portions of our course are considered no calculator. Desmos.com can be used as a free alternative to a graphing calculator.

# Students entering Algebra with Geometry should be able to:

- Solve equations: one-variable, variables on both sides, no solution/infinitely many solutions, literal equations, function form
- Graph linear equations: from a table, using slope-intercept form, using intercepts, rate of change, identifying slope
- Use Distributive Property
- Exhibit self-advocacy and perseverance behaviors

# **Course Topics**

- Linear Functions
- Polynomial Expressions
- Right Triangles
- Circles

- Quadratic Functions
- Exponential Functions
- 2-D Figures: properties & area
- 3-D Figures: surface area & volume

# **Grading Calculation Definitions**

In Geometry, we use the following categories with given weight.

- Homework (Practice) 10%
- Mini Quizzes (Evidence) 10%
- Tests (Evidence) 80%

## **Grading Practices**

Grades communicate each student's progress toward mastery of goals/standards for the course.

- No extra credit will be issued.
- Violations of the academic integrity policy will be consequenced by administration in collaboration with the DC/teacher.
- In Infinite Campus, a score of "Missing" (M) will indicate an assessment has not been turned in. After an agreed upon due date, a zero (0) will be recorded.

## • Homework (Practice):

• Practice work is not accepted for credit after the due date.

#### • Mini Quizzes (Evidence):

- o If absent, students will be excused from Mini Quizzes.
- There will be no retakes.
- A zero on a Mini Quiz will only indicate that no attempt was made by the student.

#### • Tests (Evidence):

- Students have 5 school days to complete missing Tests. (An 'M' for Missing will be put in the gradebook and if not completed after 5 days will be changed to a 0).
- If a legitimate attempt is made on a Test, a score of 50% will be the lowest possible grade.
- A zero on a Test will only indicate that no attempt was made by the student.

#### Reassessments:

The purpose of reassessment is to allow students to demonstrate mastery of course standards in which they remain deficient. Higher reassessment grades will replace the original assessment score, but will not exceed 85%.

- Practice work is not eligible for reassessment.
- Evidence of Learning work may be eligible for reassessment. Refer to the chart below for eligibility:

☐ The assessment included multiple opportunities for feedback and improvement in the process for the final product OR formative assessments are aligned to standards, allow students to practice in the same assessment format, and gain feedback for improvement before the summative assessment.	<ul> <li>□ There was timely and consistent completion of practice work and formative assessments.</li> <li>□ A one-time performance on an assessment does not reflect the student's level of proficiency leading up to the assessment.</li> <li>□ Summative assessment score is below 85%.</li> </ul>
Not eligible for reassessment	Eligible for reassessment if all three statements above are true.

## **Reassessment Parameters:**

- The reassessment opportunity will require designated learning experiences that demonstrate readiness as assigned by the teacher.
- Reassessments MUST be completed within 5 school days of the student receiving feedback unless
  otherwise determined by the instructor. The reassessment deadline should be communicated in an IC
  comment.
- The final reassessment score will be capped at 85%

#### **Academic Integrity Code:**

District 203 students are challenged to address the academic process enthusiastically, diligently, and most importantly, honestly. It is the responsibility of our students, teachers, and administration to uphold the fundamental academic values of honesty, responsibility, fairness, respect and trust. The integrity of our district's academic programs is built upon these principles.

Academic integrity violations include cheating, plagiarism, self-plagiarism or copy infringement, obtaining or providing an unfair advantage, using a writing service and/or AI in place of original work unless specifically authorized by staff, falsification of documents, unauthorized access to records, and inappropriate collaboration, whether intentional or unintentional. The classroom teacher and administration will collaborate and exercise professional judgment in determining academic integrity violations.

#### **D203 AI Belief Statement:**

At Naperville North High School, we strive to build a learner's mindset in all students, developing qualities such as adaptability, communication, critical thinking, and global citizenship. Generative Artificial Intelligence (AI), offers new opportunities to engage with important technology relevant to the future that also raises significant educational considerations. AI tools provide unique ways to engage students in the learning process, hence we encourage our staff to guide students in using AI responsibly. Teachers have the authority to establish guidelines for AI use in their classrooms, setting clear expectations for how AI can be used on learning tasks. Concurrently, we recognize that reliance on AI risks replacing genuine student engagement and original thought, undermining the attributes we aim to cultivate. Striking a balance between leveraging AI tools effectively and maintaining educational standards is crucial to the learning experience of each student.

## **Grading Disbursement**

A= 100-90%

B= 89-80%

C = 79 - 70%

D= 69-60%

F= 59-0%

The student's Semester Grade contains Coursework and Final Exam scores. Here is the grade breakdown:

- Coursework = 85%
  - Assessments (Evidence) = 80%
  - Mini Quizzes (Evidence) = 10%
  - Homework (Practice) = 10%
- Final Exam =15%

#### **Additional Resources for Support**

- Make an appointment with your teacher.
- Select a WIN session with an Algebra 1 teacher.
- Drop in for Peer Tutor/Math Help through the Literacy Center.
- After-School Tutoring in Learning Commons (check with Student Services for schedule.)
- Online Resources:
  - Digibook Algebra 1: https://naperville203algebra1.weebly.com/
  - Digibook Geometry: <a href="https://naperville203geometry.weebly.com/">https://naperville203geometry.weebly.com/</a>
  - Canvas (notes, practice): <a href="https://naperville.instructure.com">https://naperville.instructure.com</a>
  - Khan Academy Algebra 1: https://www.khanacademy.org/math/algebra

## **Parents & Guardians/Communication**

Naperville North believes in a collective partnership with parents/guardians which provides students the best opportunities for success.

Some ways parents/guardians can support their student's learning are:

- Encourage your student to speak directly with their teacher about questions or concerns. As a high school student, they will be expected to advocate for themselves.
- Actively check Infinite Campus for their student's grade.
  - o Infinite Campus is a tool to monitor student progress until final course grade is posted.
  - o Check the Missing Assignment reports that are sent on a weekly basis.
  - o Monthly progress grades are posted and represent the current grade of a student in the course at that moment in time.
- Discuss missing assignments, reiterate due dates, help organize folders, materials, assignment notebooks and review upcoming projects and assessments.
- Teachers make every effort to respond to parent emails and phone calls within 24 hours during the work week.
- The best way to communicate with teachers is through email; however, if you haven't received a response within 48 hours, please resend the email or call their voicemail. Your email may have been filtered.