

Algebra II College Prep

Course Description & Procedures

Welcome to Algebra II College Prep. You are beginning what should be a challenging, but hopefully, rewarding year. This college prep math course will bring with it certain expectations for each student (and for the teacher) in order to promote a successful year. Please take a few moments to read these expectations and other procedures; feel free to prepare any questions or other concerns for our next class period.

Thank you. *Mr. Naylor*

Student Expectations

You are expected to...

- ✓ **Take full ownership of your attitude and ultimately of your learning.**

Attitude – come expecting and wanting to learn

Your Learning – there will be times when extra effort and extra time are required to master a concept; a student who takes ownership will do what it takes to gain understanding

- ✓ Contribute to the learning in this class; each student plays a valuable role.
- ✓ **SIGN UP for Academic Prep** when help is needed; do not wait for Mr. Naylor.
- ✓ Respect the teacher and your peers.
- ✓ Work to the best of your ability and strive for growth instead of looking for excuses.



Teacher Expectations

You can expect me (to the best of my ability) to respect each student as a unique individual, use our time wisely, and never assign busy work. I will strive to implement lessons and activities that have your optimal learning as the focus. Finally, I will make every effort to be available when you need help, but it is also your responsibility to make an effort to seek my help.

School / Classroom Policy Reminders

- ✓ “Do not Text & Math. It can wait. You need a good grade.”
- ✓ Adherence to the Senior High Dress Code
- ✓ Cell phones may NOT be used during test
- ★ **Music devices / earphones may not be used during classroom instruction time.** ★

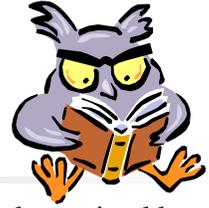
Materials

- ✓ Text: *Algebra 2*, Holt, Rinehart, Winston
- ✓ **Online:** <http://my.hrw.com> user: **alogin5** pass: **n5p6**
- ✓ *Notes / Notebook:* Some notes can be taken on handouts; some notes will be taken directly off the blackboard on notebook paper. A simple pocket folder can be an easy way to stay organized.
- ✓ *Calculators:* It is highly suggested that each student possess a regular scientific calculator; however, many students find it advantageous to own a graphing calculator as well. When necessary, Mr. Naylor will allow you to borrow a TI-83 during classroom time
- ✓ **MrNaylorsWebPlace.com** (more details can be found on the back)



Homework

It is expected that you complete each assignment to the best of your ability and show all supporting work. Homework will always be checked the day after it is assigned and one problem may be checked for correctness. Homework should not simply be a task to complete, but rather an extension of the learning. Opportunities will be made to answer homework questions, but if you need additional help, make the necessary steps to see me before it is too late – ***frequent mini checks will be coming!*** (see Grading below). **An updated list of weekly homework assignments can be found on my web site (see address at bottom.)**



Grading

As is common in many college math (and other) courses, a large portion of your grade is determined by exams. In order to prepare you for these experiences, a similar policy will be in effect here, with additional smaller grades added in.

→ Grading Breakdown:



- ✓ Homework: (3pts) checked for completion and specific problem accuracy
- ✓ Mini Checks: (5–15 pts) unannounced following the completion of various concepts; typically given the 1st five minutes of the period; open notebook
- ✓ Assignments: (10–20 pts) graded for accuracy; usually require more time than daily homework
- ✓ Chapter Test: (45–60 pts) one to two per chapter with periodic “take home” questions
- ✓ Other activities could also be graded and given appropriate points.

→ **Course Grade:** MP1 20% MP2 20% Midterm 10% MP3 20% MP4 20% Final 10%

Absenteeism and Make Up Work

In the event that you are absent, it is ***your responsibility*** to obtain all missed assignments. Daily class assignments can be found on the appropriate class calendar and extra worksheets are in the appropriate trays.

☞ It is also the student’s responsibility to show Mr. Naylor any homework.

☞ If you are absent on the day of a test or quiz, it must be made up within two days for every day of your absence (school policy.) It is the student’s responsibility to schedule a time for the make-up work (study halls, before/after school); school passes can be written, and Mr. Naylor will make every effort to accommodate any special circumstances. ***Mini checks may be made up out of class or at home***, and submitted within the allotted make up time.

☞ The following policy will be in effect concerning any assignments/tests received late:

1 day late: 33% deducted

2 days late: 66% deducted

Cheating

Cheating will not be tolerated. Any student caught cheating on quizzes or tests will receive an automatic zero for that assessment. Helping friends and peers with homework and assignments ***is not*** considered cheating. Lending homework and assignments for friends and peers to copy ***is*** considered cheating.

Mr. Naylor’s Web Place

- Class Calendars with assignment downloads
- “***Problem of the Month***” (*extra credit*)
- Remind sign up instructions
- Miscellaneous Fun Stuff



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& often

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