**Algebra 1 Course Outline**

**2023 – 2024 School year**

Welcome to Algebra 1! I look forward to a great year of learning and fun. Algebra 1 is a year-long course that allows students to receive high school credit for Algebra 1 while still in 8th grade. The course is aligned to the State of Michigan Common Core Algebra 1 standards and covers a variety of mathematical topics which are listed on the content syllabus you received in class today.

**Receiving High School Credit**

In order to receive high school credit for Algebra 1, you must maintain an 80% or higher throughout the course of the school year on all report cards.

**Mr. Love’s Schedule**

1st hour – Algebra 1 5th hour – Math 8

2nd hour – Math 8 6th hour – Conference

3rd hour – Math 8 7th hour – WIN time

4th hour – Math 8

If you need to speak with me please e-mail me at slove@eupschools.org , or call 635-3839 Ext. 5743 and leave me a message.

**Materials**

Students will need paper and **pencil** on a daily basis. It would be ideal if students have a separate notebook just for math notes. Students would benefit from having a graphing calculator of their own, but it is not required as I have a classroom set they can use while at school. If you choose to purchase a calculator, I would recommend the TI-83 plus or TI-84 plus, as these are like what we will use in class. Students are encouraged to take notes during class, as this will aide them in completing their homework and can sometimes be used on test and quizzes.

**Grading**

Grades will be calculating using a weighted average for test, quizzes, and assignments.

 Test = 40%

Quizzes = 30%

 Assignments and Participation = 30%

 Total Grade = 100%

The following grading scale will be used, and all scores will be rounded to the nearest whole number

A = 94 – 100 % C = 74 – 77 %

A- = 90 – 93 % C- = 70 – 73 %

B+ = 88 – 89 % D+ = 68 – 69 %

B = 84 – 87 % D = 64 – 67 %

B- = 80 – 83 % D- = 60 – 63 %

C+ = 78 – 79 % E = 0 – 59 %

**Tests and Quizzes**

Tests will be given at the end of each unit, with quizzes mixed in throughout the units. Any student who scores below a 70% on a test or quiz has the option to retake it, after corrections have been made, within one week of the test/quiz date. The student, however, can only score a possible 70% on the retake. If you are absent on a quiz or test day, you have one week from the absence to make arrangements to make it up. If the test or quiz is not completed by the time it is due, you will receive a 0 for the assessment. It is your responsibility to get your assignments upon returning from an absence. Assignments are posted on my website or you can ask me for them.

**Assignments**

Classwork, activities, and projects will be assigned on a regular basis. Work should be neat, organized, accurate, complete, and done in **pencil**. Each assignment is worth 2 points. It is essential that all assignments be completed. Incomplete assignments will affect your grade as well as your performance on quizzes and tests.

Assignments are to be turned in on the specified due date. What is not completed in class is expected to be done as homework. I will accept assignments for full credit until 3:00 p.m. the day after they are due. I will accept late assignments for 1 week after they are due but at a reduced percentage. After 1week, assignments will become zeros. If you are absent, you must turn in the assignment that was due on the day you missed upon your return. For make-up work, you have twice the number of days missed to turn in your assignment. It is your responsibility to get any make up work upon your return. Any assignment turned in without work, just answers (looking like it was copied) will receive a 0. Opportunities to earn extra credit will be available throughout the marking period.

**Textbooks**

Students will be using the enVision Algebra 1 textbook series. Each student will have a hard cover textbook with lessons, examples, and assignment problems in it. There is also an online component where students will be able to access content and practice problems.

**Attendance / Tardiness**

Attendance every day is necessary if you wish to succeed. Most students cannot do well if classes are missed for frequent illness, extended vacations, etc. If you know you are going to be gone ahead of time, please get your assignments before you leave. You are expected to be in your seat when the bell rings or you will be tardy. Excessive tardiness will result in a referral to the office.

**Cheating**

Any student suspected of cheating on a test, quiz, or assignment will receive a 0 for that particular assessment. If the assessment is a test, the student shall forfeit the retake option as well.

**Classroom Rules**

1. Bring all needed materials to class. Students will not be given passes to get forgotten homework.
2. Respect people and property. This includes not sitting on desktops, writing on desks, walls, using profanity, bullying, etc.
3. Remain in your seat until the bell rings. Do not stand at the door waiting for the bell
4. NO food, drinks, hats, headphones, cell phones, etc. allowed in classroom. These items will be taken when found
5. If you are referred to the office during class, you receive a 0 for that day.
6. Please use the bathroom in between classes. No passes will be given unless it is an emergency
7. Exhibit respectful behavior in class that allows you and your classmates to learn and me to teach.

Failure to follow classroom rules set forth by Mr. Love and the administration may result in phone calls home to parents and/or a referral to the Assistant Principal for disciplinary action.

**EXTRA HELP**

If you need help please ask, I am here before school, after school, and during lunch. I want you to have a successful year

Sincerely,

Scott Love

Please sign the following page and return it to school acknowledging you have received and understand the above policies

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**\*Your first assignment of the year is to return this to me by Friday September 10th**