

2020.2021 CCS Algebra I and II Information and Expectations

CLASS MATERIALS

- We will be using Algebra 1, Larson, Boswell, Kanold, and Stiff, McDougal Littell ©2001 or
 - Algebra 2, Larson, Boswell, Kanold, and Stiff, McDougal Littell ©2004
- Students will be required to have a TI-83, TI-83A, TI-84 or TI-84 Plus graphing calculator (or more advanced model).
- Students are encouraged to purchase a dry erase board for their use at home. I will have dry erase boards at our in-person classes. Students are required to bring their own dry erase markers to class.
- If you do not have a textbook, you may rent one from me for \$10. If you do not have a graphing calculator, you may borrow one for me to use during the course.
- **I will be at CCS on Thursday, 17 September, from 10 – 12:30**, in the parking lot/picnic pavilion, to collect textbooks from the previous year and distribute this year's textbooks and/or calculators. You do not need to reserve either as I have enough books and calculators to accommodate this year's students. If you are not able to do this, please arrange for someone else to pick up your materials or to come by my home.

CLASS

- I will be posting videos for all virtual classes. As of this moment, that will involve all Tuesday classes and every other Friday class. In person Friday classes will be videoed and posted by Friday evening at 6pm.
- All pertinent class documents referenced in the videos will be scanned and posted on Google classroom before the beginning of each chapter; students should download and print documents to be prepared for class.
- Class videos will be posted by the time class is scheduled for each session. Videos will be posted in small sections to facilitate easy access and reference. Students are encouraged to email in any questions; please refer to the document title (chapter, section, practice, and problem number ie. 1.4 Practice A #40) to request additional explanation/instruction.

IN-PERSON ASSISTANCE:

- Videos will be posted for each Tuesday class by the designated class times (Algebra I: 1pm, Algebra II: 3pm) if not sooner. Until we can resume in-person classes at the Samuels Library in Front Royal, I will be able to accommodate students in person for additional help at my home Tuesdays, beginning September 22. Students needing in-person assistance will be required to sign up on a Google document for time slots, to be posted shortly. I can accommodate 5-6 students at a time, and they can be in either Algebra I or II, so siblings in different classes can attend together. The help

sessions will last 40 – 45 minutes. I will explain this more on the first video. I reside at 607 Miller Road in Winchester, west of the 37-bypass, Opequon Exit (622)

- I will accommodate students requiring extra help on the Thursdays CCS meets, 12:15 – 2pm. This will also require students sign up for 25-minute slots (5 minute transition times) to attend.
- Lastly, on the Friday's we do not meet, I will be able to accommodate students at the Bowman Library in Stephens City between 9 – 11. I am able to give in-person assistance for 1-2 students at a time inside the library. Masks are required. I will have a Google Doc sign-up sheet for these time slots as well.
- Although I do not do live chats, I can personally talk to students and verbally walk them through problems. As long as CCS is continuing on our alternate weekly model, and/or the Front Royal library does not allow us to use their classrooms, students wishing to schedule personal instruction are welcome to pre-arrange time at my home at no additional charge.

TESTS

- Tests will be scanned into Google Classroom. Students should download, print, and take the test, begin sure to show all work. Work **MUST** be in pencil. Tests must be returned by mail, postmarked by the due date. Points will be deducted for late work. Students should be careful to scan and save a copy of their completed test in case it is lost in the mail.
- Unless we are meeting as a class in-person, tests will be returned by mail.

FIRST CLASS

- The first class will be an introductory video posted on Google Classroom on Tuesday, September 15th, by class time (Algebra I: 1pm, Algebra II: 3pm). Please note that these materials may be available earlier.
- The goal of our first posted class on 9.15.20 is to make sure all students are able to access posted materials and videos.
- You will be needing to download the appropriate materials that will accompany this class. If you have any difficulties in accessing the videos or posted materials, please let me know. (You will not be needing your textbook for the first class, as they will be distributed on Thursday, Sept. 17 at CCS, re: Class Materials)

IMPORTANT NOTE

My first grandchild, Henry, is due October 25th. As with all babies, the exact time is obviously uncertain; this being stated, I will have a window of time where any in-person assistance will not be feasible, although I will still be able to post class videos and communicate by email. I will let you know what this window is when the time comes.