

# Course Syllabus: Algebra I

Mrs. Baasch

## Required Materials

- Pocket folder or three-ring binder
- Notebook or loose-leaf paper
- Pencil (bring it everyday!)
- Scientific Calculator – does not need to be a graphing calculator

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## Attendance and Make Up/Late Work

It is very important that you are in class *every day*. When not in class, you miss the new material that is presented and the opportunity to ask questions. **If you are absent, it is your responsibility to get and learn the information that you missed, this includes getting the completed notes either from Mrs. Baasch or a friend.** You will be expected to teach yourself the missed material by copying the notes into your own notebook and then working on the assignment. Mrs. Baasch will help you if needed, but I have to see if you put in effort on your own first.

- You will have the number of days you are gone plus one to make up work without penalty.
- If you miss a quiz/test, you are responsible for finding time to make up the quiz/test. If it is not taken within one week of the original test date, a grade of zero will be entered in PowerSchool.
- All students are responsible for asking for any material in advance that he/she will miss if attending a school-sponsored activity, family trip, or appointment.
- Late work will be accepted, but for a lesser grade. Assignments not turned in by the **beginning of your class period** on the due date will be considered late and “missing.” Late work is only worth 70% of the initial grade (so 30% will be deducted plus any incorrect) if it is turned in **within 7 calendar days of the original due date**. Late assignments turned in after the 7 calendar day timeframe will be worth 50% of the original score, will no longer be considered “missing” and will not go against your test exemption status.
- If you need help on an assignment, you must come in during bison time or before or after school (after school will not work during volleyball season). It is your responsibility to get help before class, not expect it during class! Email me if you would like to set up a time to meet before school.

## Homework

Students should expect to have homework 3 to 5 times a week. This homework should be neatly done with the assignment and page number located at the top. Homework is due the next school day at the beginning of class unless otherwise stated. **Assignments (or individual questions) with no work shown will be awarded a zero.** Assignments that seem to be copied from another student, online, or completed with an app will result in a zero. Online assignments will also be utilized and will follow the same late policy as paper assignments.

## Tests/Quizzes

Tests and quizzes will be given periodically in the middle of and at the end of units to measure student understanding. The following testing procedures will be followed:

- Hats must be removed
- Remain in your seat until finished. No changes can be made to your paper once you leave your seat.
- Keep your eyes on your own paper and keep your answers covered. All work must be your own.

- No talking during the entire quiz/test period.
- **Tests/quizzes need to be completed in one class period** unless otherwise stated by Mrs. Baasch. Considerations will be made on a case-by-case basis.
- **Mrs. Baasch will not be answering questions on tests/quizzes unless they pertain to the directions.**

**\*\*Violation of testing procedures is considered cheating and will follow the school policy on cheating.**

### Classroom Rules/Expectations

In class, you are expected to follow all of the rules of Hazen High School. You are also expected to:

- Treat everyone with respect.
- Bring your book, pencil, paper, and calculator with you to class every day.
- Be seated in your desk when the bell rings. A tardy will be given if in the classroom but messing around.
- Use the restroom before class begins or after a lesson/activity. Students will not be given bathroom breaks at the beginning of first or fifth period.
- Cellphones need to be stored away in your numbered pocket. If your cellphone is used when permission is not granted, it will be taken to the office and will follow the cellphone policy outlined in the school handbook. Refusal to follow cellphone rules or arguing with teacher will result in a tardy for each occurrence.
- Only consume small, quiet snacks and beverages that have a spill proof top (twist close).
- Follow any other expectations that meet my three main classroom rules:

BE SAFE      BE RESPECTFUL      BE RESPONSIBLE

### Extra Help

Please reach out for help whenever a question arises. Do not wait until you are too far behind. I will be available for help before and after school and during bison time. Do not hesitate to stop by my classroom and ask questions. I am here to help you!

### Grade Distribution:

A	94-100	Quizzes/Tests	70%
A-	93	Homework, Group Work, Class Work, Notes	30%
B	86-92		
C	77-85	Semester Grade = 90% Term Grade + 10% Final Grade	
D	70-76	<i>8<sup>th</sup> graders: each quarter is 45% and your final course grade at end of year</i>	
F	69 and below	<i>will be 50% semester 1 and 50% semester 2</i>	

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I have read and understand the above course and classroom expectations and procedures.

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Student Name (Printed)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Student Signature