

2017-2018 Course Expectations for Mr. Conover/Mr. Nash

Welcome to a new year! Here are the ground rules and information that you need to know about me!

Name: Mr. Conover (Mr. C) and Mr. Nash or "Sir" are safe bets. Anything else is used at your own risk...

<u>Period</u>	<u>Description</u>
Before School	Math tutoring on Thursdays
1	Planning
2	Algebra I
3	Algebra I H
4	Algebra I H
5	Algebra I H
6	Algebra I H
7	Skill Tutoring (Tuesdays)

Materials to bring daily:

Brain (yours), paper, pencil, pen for scoring (use dark ink), red folder for returned papers, whiteboard marker.

Miscellaneous supplies will be announced in advance when needed to be brought in.

***A calculator for at home use. A scientific calculator will be provided for use at school.**

Textbook and Other Resources: Prentice Hall Algebra I Honors Gold Series. There is a hardcopy text for classroom use, and one to be sent home with each student. Algebra Nation Workbook will be issued to each student once they have arrived at TCMS (the Algebra Nation website also has the pdf files). Additional resources may be pulled from Khan Academy, Algebration.com, and other Florida Standards video lessons. Students will watch at times partial or complete episodes of the TV show CBS Numb3rs and/or BBC Dr. Who as they relate to the Florida Math Standards. Signature below can constitute your agreement to watch during the year. Any further questions, please address Mr. Conover with your concerns.

Accessibility: You can call the school at 987-6555 and leave a message with the voice mail system. We try to respond to it within 48 hours during regular school days. Eadsby messages or regular email us at steve.conover@tcmstornadoes.com with a 24 hour turn-around during the regular school week.

Homework/Assignment Policy:

All work is to be turned in with the following information in the **upper right hand corner** of the paper: Student's Full Name, Date, Class Period. Title the assignment on the **top line**. Exception will be for preprinted sheets to fill only the top lines provided on the worksheet.

All work is due at the **time called by the teacher** and in the format required by the school. If the work is not turned in at that time or is not properly labeled, the student will not receive credit for the assignment in the grade book. Having completed work at home or left in the car does not constitute being on time. Assignments should be recorded in the planner along with due date to ensure that work is turned in promptly when due.

Make Up Policy: Per student handbook, a student who has excused absences is allowed to make up the classwork and homework that was assigned during the absences. The student will have one day for each day of excused absence to complete assignments.

*All major assessments will be assigned in advance and if a student is absent the day of assessment **they will submit it upon return to school**. (Any exceptions must be approved by Mr. Conover/Mr. Nash in advance.)

The following are general rules for grades:

- ALL PAPER WORK MUST BE LEGIBLE. Please be careful with your numbers. I will not accept papers that are in poor condition and/or difficult to read.
- Missing/Incomplete Headings: Papers are not ready to be turned in and will not be accepted. Upon completing heading, papers will be accepted but docked points for lateness.
- Academic Dishonesty: A student will receive an automatic zero and have it reported to administration as a level one referral. Examples include, but are not restricted to: giving your paper to another student to copy a graded assignment, copying another student's work for a graded assignment, plagiarism on a research paper.
- Students and parents should check Edsby for online grades and footnotes.

Discipline Policy: Will follow the policies listed in the student handbook. Please reference your student handbook for the applicable section. Reminder: Student dress code and ID policy is in effect throughout the day!

TCMS Grading Scale:	A	100- 90
	B	89 - 80
	C	79 - 70
	D	69 - 60
	F	59 – 0

You earn your grade through the following activities:

- 15% Daily Work – may be graded for accuracy or completion (primarily classwork and activities, homework, flipped lesson homework, and Algebra Nation Test Yourself items). Always take the accuracy approach for grading, but the “Out of” on the board will let the students know which one it will be.
- 35% Quizzes – Quizzes that will occur about 4-5 times a grading period. HINT: If you see a midchapter quiz in the next section of the textbook, there is a good chance there will be a quiz!
- 50% Tests - End of Unit Comprehensive Tests, cumulative review tests, math research papers and reports, and other group activities throughout the year. These will occur approximately 3 times a grading period.

The Semester Exam will count only for the semester grade and is independent of the nine week grade. The Semester Exam will count for 30% of your SEMESTER GRADE. The State End of Course Exam (EOC) will count as the final (semester 2) exam.

*****REMEMBER*****

- **The grade you earn in this class will be part of your permanent high school transcript.**
- **You must earn 3 quality points each semester to qualify to pass the semester.**
- **There are no class level adjustments once the student starts the class.**

Please sign and return, verifying that you have read, understand and will abide by all rules and expectations given. SCRIPT signatures will also be accepted in lieu of returning the paper.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____