

# Algebra II

# Course Outline

# Mrs. Hodgson

## Grades:

Each quarter you will accumulate points for completing both homework and in class assignments, for quizzes, for tests, and for a daily notebook. The letter grade you receive will be based upon the percentage of the total points you earn.

Your Homework and Quizzes are 40% of your quarter grade.

Your Tests are 50% of your quarter grade.

Your Classroom Notebook is 10% of your quarter grade.

**Tests** are given at the middle and at the end of each chapter. They are worth 100 points each.

**Homework** will be worth 5 to 10 points per assignment and collected without warning. To score well, you will need to show all of your computations as well as your answers and the corrections to any of your mistakes. At times I will ask you to include notes, sample problems, or even a short quiz along with your assignment.

**Heading:** Name (first, last)  
Date  
Class, hour  
Assignment

**Quizzes** may be given without warning. Larger quizzes will be announced. Quizzes will be worth anywhere from 5 to 20 points.

**Notebook** is required for in class assignments. At the beginning of each class I will have 5-10 warm up problems on the board. These should be kept in your notebook and dated. I will collect the notebook randomly and points will be given. If you have more than 10 absences in one semester you will lose the class points for each day you are absent starting on the 11<sup>th</sup> day missed. I will look for work as well as corrections.

- All work must be neat and legible with correct heading.
- All absent work must be turned in before current chapter test is given otherwise no credit will be given.

## Class Conduct

I need a certain amount of order so that I can provide the instruction you will need. Therefore, while you are in my classroom I ask that your behavior be in good taste. You will be involved in small group work, as well as team work and individualized work. Your participation and cooperation are expected.

Algebra II is probably the first difficult math course you will encounter. It is the first math class that incorporates the two disciplines of Algebra I and Geometry. This course demands a higher level of analytical and applied learning skills. Of all of the classes offered in high school, Algebra II is the leading predictor of college and work success, according to research that has launched a growing national movement to require it of graduates. The content of this course is important for students' success on both the ACT and college mathematics entrance exams.

If you need additional help it will be up to you to seek it out, either in class or before and after school.