



Ms. Malone's Algebra 1 Class

2020 – 2021

Room C103

Welcome to the 2020 – 2021 school year at Rossview High School. It is going to be a wonderful year full of exciting times for you and your child. My name is Victoria Malone, and I will be your child's Algebra 1 teacher for this school year. Please read the following information thoroughly with your child. There will be a variety of resources for both you and your child that will promote success in Algebra 1 this year.

PowerSchool

CMCSS uses **PowerSchool** grade book program that allows parents to access their students' grades online. The username and password that you received last year is still your access to your student's account. If you lost your information, please contact the school office and the secretary will direct you on how to get that information. I will do my very best to keep PowerSchool updated and I will expect parents to monitor their child's grade throughout the school year.

Although you will see a grade on PLP, this is NOT your student's official grade. PowerSchool gradebook is where official grades will be kept.

Materials

In order to succeed in this class, the student should have a three-ring binder with the following materials:

- Composition Notebook
- Graph Paper
- Loose Leaf paper for binder
- Mechanical Pencils (preferably) or sharpened pencils
- Ear buds/ headphones (used for computer only)
- Charged laptop and charger

*You will find it useful to have a **TI-84 Plus or Plus CE scientific graphing calculator**. I highly recommend that all students purchase their own calculator, however I have a class set that will be assigned to students for class use only. Calculators will be sanitized after each class use. These calculators are NEVER to leave the classroom. In class, calculator use is a privilege.

Students must abide by calculator usage rules if they want to continue using the class set of calculators. It is highly encouraged that students learn how to use this calculator throughout the year because they are permitted to use it on exams.

**Due to the current pandemic, students will not be permitted to share supplies and there will be minimal exchange of supplies between students and teacher.*

Homework/Classwork

Each week I will assign assignment(s) and all students will be required to complete homework and classwork assignment(s) for each unit. All students will be responsible for completing these assignment(s) on time. Students are to address any issues or questions they may have at the beginning of the next class period. All assigned homework will be due on a specific date, typically the day after it is assigned. It is the student's responsibility to make up and turn in any missing work when absent. PowerPoints, notes, and other resources will be provided in PLP to help students complete their missing work.

*Late work will be accepted for half credit if the assessment for the unit has not been taken. Once the assessment has been taken, late work will remain as a zero in PowerSchool.

Notes

It is important that students take notes in their composition book and ask questions when they do not understand. Notes are used as a reference to help the students when completing homework and a good resource to study for quizzes or tests. If students are absent, it is their responsibility to access the notes (in PLP).

Tests

All grades are based on total points. **Cheating** and/or **talking** during a quiz or test will result in a zero or a discipline referral. If a student misses a test, it will remain a zero until it is made up.

Grading

The grading scale is as follows:

A: 93% - 100%

B: 85% - 92%

C: 75% - 84%

D: 70% - 74%

F: below 69%

Grading Categories

The following categories are the only categories that will be used in our grade book:

Assessment

Project

Classwork

Homework

Extra Credit

It is recommended that all students to take advantage of extra credit opportunities when they are offered. Extra credit can be awarded by completing extra assignments, projects, or other various activities.

Class Rules

- Be prepared for class.
- Treat each student and teacher with respect and dignity.
- Be responsible for your own actions and work.
- Follow guidelines and procedures by the school and CMCSS District.

Electronics

AirPods, cell phones, and other electronic devices are to be **turned off** and stored in the student's locker. If students bring them to class, I will follow CMCSS /Rossvie High School Policies for addressing this situation.

Digital Hall Pass

Students are to use the bathroom during change of classes. Hall passes will only be given for emergencies or special situations. All students will use a digital hall pass when leaving the classroom.

Virtual/Remote Classroom

1. Locate and read the weekly assignment document that will be posted on PLP every Monday morning at 7:30 am.
2. Log in to PLP before designated **Zoom** conference times.
3. Complete all activities assigned in PLP by the given due date.
4. Write down any questions you may have and identify the specific problems from your assignment(s) that you will need help solving so that I can address them during the scheduled **Zoom** conference.

5. Refer to the chart below that details CMCSS requirements for **Zoom**.

 zoom Requirements for students CLARKSVILLE-MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM	BE ON TIME <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wake up early• Log on a few minutes before class	BE IN A QUIET PLACE <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Find a quiet place• Check your surroundings	BE PREPARED <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Computer is charged• Camera is on• Use headphones if you have them
	PRESENTATION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wear appropriate clothing• Sit up straight• Be in Camera view	MUTE YOURSELF <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mute yourself when your teacher or another student is talking	PARTICIPATION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be focused• Be attentive• Be an active participant
	CHAT RESPONSIBLY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raise your hand to speak• Type your question in the chat box	COMMUNICATION <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speak clearly• Look up when speaking• Stay on topic (no side conversation)	BE RESPECTFUL <ul style="list-style-type: none">• R-E-S-P-E-C-T• Be kind• Be considerate

Attendance

Student attendance for both virtual, remote, or traditional will be expected and documented.

For virtual/remote the following will be considered being in attendance:

- completed daily assignment(s)
- Zoom meeting participation
- various communication between student and instructor

***All District and Rossvie rules and policies still apply to virtual/remote learners.**

Communication

I strongly believe in teamwork and communication. The success of our children depends on all of us working together and communicating. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason. During the school day, email (victoria.malone@cmcss.net) is the best way to contact me. If you call and leave a message by phone, I will call back as soon as I have an opportunity. In addition, I will also be using PLP platform for communication as well as Zoom. I will be in contact with virtual learners and mentors weekly throughout the school year.

Units and Major Assignments

Unit	Topic	Possible Major Assignments	Possible Field Trips
1	Numbers & Expressions	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
2	Solving One-Variable Equations & Inequalities	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
3	Function Concepts	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
4	Extending Linear Functions	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
5	Systems of Equations & Inequalities	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
6	Piecewise Functions, Graphs, & Contexts	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
7	Exponential Functions, Graphs, & Contexts	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
8	Operations with Polynomial Expressions	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
9	Quadratic Functions, Graphs, & Contexts	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
10	Data & Statistics	Unit Quizzes & Assessment	NA
11	Geometry Skills Preview	Unit Quizzes	NA

***** (The above assignments could possibly change. Also, please keep in mind that midterms and finals account for a certain percentage of the student's semester grade.)

I look forward to a wonderful school year at Rossvie High School and getting to know all my new students. Please do not hesitate to contact me by email or phone with any questions or concerns. By working together, we are creating a pathway for our students to reach their greatest potential.

I know this will be a wonderful and successful year!

Sincerely,

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When you and your child have fully read and understand the information contained in this class syllabus. Please click on the link below and complete the Google form.

[Syllabus Verification/ Information Form](#)