

Pre-Algebra/Algebra I 2024-25

Mrs Neff - Room 340

Welcome to a new year of math! You will:

- Use new models and methods to think about problems as well as solve them.
- Develop powerful mathematical tools
- Learn new ways of thinking about and investigating situations.
- Make connections, discover relationships, figure out what strategies can be used to solve problems, and explain your thinking.
- Learn to think in these ways and communicate about your thinking is useful in mathematical contexts
- Cooperate with other students as a member of a study team. Being a part of a team means speaking up and interacting with other people.
- Explain your ideas, listen to what others have to say, and ask questions if there is something you do not understand.
- See problems in different ways than your teammates do. Each of you has something to contribute while you work on the lessons in this course.
- Discover mathematical ideas and develop solution methods with a team of peers.
- Have the opportunity to think and investigate for yourself.
- Have more chances to build your understanding as the course continues.
- Actively participate,
- Make sure everyone in your study team is involved,
- and ask good questions,
- Find yourself understanding mathematics at a deeper level than ever before
- Have a powerful set of mathematical tools to use to solve new problems.
- Meet mathematical challenges you would not have known how to approach before.

CPM has created online resources to help you, an ebook, including help with homework, and a parent guide with extra practice at www.cpm.org. You will login with your school google account. If you do not have internet access, please contact me so I can print you a hard copy of any documents you may need or make arrangements for a book to take home.

*******Homework assignment #1: EMAIL Mrs. Neff at aneff@buckleyschools.com and tell her that you've read the syllabus AND your favorite thing you did this summer! This is worth 5 points and due NLT Sep 17, 2024 .*******

MRS. NEFF room 340

Hello Student/ Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to Pre-Algebra/Algebra I! I love guiding students through the discovery and love of math! I look forward to this year!! Trying with effort will ensure that students learn math!

Supplies Needed

- Pencils
- Highlighters
- Erasers
- 2 pocket folder
- Colored pens
- Single subject notebook

In class, students will have access to a hardcover book and calculator which we use in the classroom only.

Books will NOT go home. **They can access ebooks.cpm.org with their google account.** The book and all resources can be found there.

Expectations:

- **Be Kind.**
- Be an **Active participant** in your learning.
- **Try** your personal best.
- **Respect** everyone and everything!
- **Be Prepared**
 - Notebook/folder/pencil/chromebook/highlighters/erasers
- Grades based on **SHOWING THEIR WORK**, not just the right answer. The right answer is also important.
- Our class follows the grading guidelines in the student handbook.
- Lessons/problems can be accessed through ebooks.cpm.org using google login
 - put on lined paper
- Missing work severely impacts learning.

Important Facts:

- Leaving the classroom ie. Bathroom, drink, etc., **MUST** be kept to a minimum. Only one student at a time will be allowed to leave only if it is an emergency.
- **PHONES ARE TO BE KEPT IN the shoe holder provided in the classroom.**

Preferred Communication: email.... aneff@buckleyschools.com

It is the best way to get my attention. I check my email before school, during my 2nd hour prep, after school, and even sometimes in the evenings.

I am confident that your student will be challenged and enjoy this year of learning!

I love teaching math!!

Sincerely, Mrs. Neff

Mrs. Angela Neff
