



Lassiter High School
Reaching Excellence and Climbing Higher
Math Department - Fall Semester 2014



COURSE TITLE: CCGPS Coordinate Algebra

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Course Description: Coordinate Algebra consists of the following six units:

- Unit 1: Relationships Between Quantities
- Unit 2: Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities
- Unit 3: Linear & Exponential Functions
- Unit 4: Describing Data
- Unit 5: Transformations in the Coordinate Plane
- Unit 6: Connecting Algebra & Geometry Through Coordinates

*Units 1, 2, and 3 will be covered during the fall semester and Units 4, 5, and 6 will be covered during the spring semester.

Textbook: The textbook is the Holt McDougal Georgia Coordinate Algebra. If it is lost or damaged you are responsible for replacing it.

Materials needed: You will need a three-ring binder with dividers, notebook paper, graph paper, pencils, colored pencils, erasers, a colored pen, a highlighter, and a calculator (the recommended calculator is the TI-36X Pro).

Class Expectations: You should be seated and ready to begin class when the bell rings and remain in your seat until the bell rings to end class. Your cell phone should not be out during class and your desk should stay clear of all distractions. All assignments should be completed using a pencil.

Homework: All homework assignments should be done neatly and all work should be shown. Assignments will be checked for completion and a **weekly homework grade** will be given. Each week you will have a homework assessment that will be graded for accuracy. The homework assessment will be over homework problems from the previous week’s classwork/homework assignments.

Quizzes: Quizzes can be given on any day of the week and will be given periodically to determine your progress on the material being taught.

Tests: The Math Department has testing days on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. We will have at least one test per unit. You are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking on tests so there may be times when you see questions on tests that have not been directly discussed in class. Also, each test will include a cumulative section of problems that have come from prior material taught.

Final Exam: There will be a Final Exam given at the end of the semester. The Final Exam will be a multiple-choice, cumulative test that covers all material from the semester.

Attendance and Make-up Policy: You are expected to attend class daily and be on time. It is important that you are in class on time in order to receive the proper instruction and to be a part of the discussions and questions dealing with the concepts being presented. If you are present and actively participate in class, you are more likely to be successful; however, if you are absent, you have one day for each day of excused absence plus one more day to make up the work. If you have an unexcused absence you may choose to complete the assignments in order to keep up with the class; however, we are under no obligation to grade the work. **If you are absent on the review day before a test/quiz and return on the day of the test/quiz you will be expected to take the test/quiz as scheduled.** Grades for any missed assessments will automatically be recorded as a zero until the work is made up. It is **your** responsibility to ensure that all work is made up. I will not remind you.

Tardy Policy: To avoid being counted tardy, you must be seated and ready for class when the bell rings. If your belongings are present when the bell rings but YOU are not, then YOU are tardy and need to get a late pass.

ALL rules in the Lassiter Student Handbook will be followed.

Detention and Make-up Sessions: The Math Department holds sessions **before school on Tuesdays** from 7:15 until 8:10 and **after school on Thursdays** from 3:35 until 4:30. **Be prompt.** There is no extended time. All make-up tests/quizzes will be there in a folder under “Accurso.” If you are serving a detention, you **must** sign in to receive credit.

Extra Help: Extra help is available with me every morning from 7:55 – 8:15. There are many other opportunities for you to receive extra help from other teachers in the math department. If necessary, take advantage of these opportunities.

Academic Integrity and Cheating: You are expected to be courteous, polite, and honest at all times. Cheating is considered a serious matter and for this course, cheating is defined as, but not limited to the following:

- Copying anyone’s answers to any assignment.
- Looking onto another student’s paper during a test or quiz.
- Having available any study notes or other test aids during a test or quiz without my permission. This includes getting information that is stored in your calculator.
- Collaborating on assignments when independent work is expected.
- Displaying a cell phone at any time during a test or quiz.
- Talking or communicating in **any manner** during a test or quiz (even if you have finished your test or quiz).

Remember that the objective of all assignments is to help you better understand and learn mathematics. Therefore, working together on homework is not considered cheating as long as all persons involved gain understanding of the topics.

Grading: Grades will be averaged as follows:

Tests	50%
Quizzes	20%
Classwork/Homework	15%
Final Exam	15%

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YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW INDICATES YOUR AGREEMENT WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- I have reviewed the class syllabus and understand the grading policy.
- I have read and understand the academic integrity policy.
- I am willing to be contacted by email and have provided my email address below.
- I have access to the Internet and will check on my student's progress in this class.
- I am willing to check the class blog at <http://lhsblogs.typepad.com/accurso/> so that I am aware of important dates for upcoming assignments and assessments.

Student Name: _____ Class Period: _____
(Please print.)

(Student's Signature) (Student's Email Address)

(Parent's Signature) (Parent's Email Address)

**RETURN THIS PAGE WITH BOTH SIGNATURES
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, AUGUST 11TH.**