

Important Algebra information:

Class website: <http://rkbnet.com/algebra>

Install REMIND App on phone, join your class.

Class codes Period 5 code: p62019alg1

Algebra notebook (prefer to have ring notebook with perforated pages to hand in HWK)

Email: [rkevinball@arhs.org](mailto:rkevinball@arhs.org) **email me with questions and concerns.**

Classrooms used: Algebra: n202 CAD N212 (periods 2,4,7)

I am in **N212** for Parent–Teacher meeting nights

3 TESTS PER QUARTER, quizzes, Homework and worksheets make up quarter average.

***You must do corrections for all tests (all NON-100% Tests) Algebra 1***

The TI-84 calculator is also required for the class. Remember the AAA batteries for the calculator also. Make sure that homework is being done nightly in a quiet, undisturbed atmosphere. Restrict phone calls during this time so your child can focus on the work at hand. Save the socializing for later when all the homework is done. Written homework will be most week nights. Students should also be reviewing notes and examples daily in preparation for the next test. Show your child how to organize their time and materials. This can be overwhelming to students at times and your guidance will help them find papers and get all work done on time. Color coded folders, daily planners, and calendars all help students learn this valuable life skill. Help your child prepare for tests by quizzing them on important terms, definitions, or dates. Have them show you how to do all the steps needed to solve a problem. Make them convince you that the answer is correct by checking it in the problem. Remember, even though your child is in high school, they still need homework supervision.

***Check PowerSchool regularly.***

***Email me at [rkevinball@arhs.org](mailto:rkevinball@arhs.org) for the quickest response.***

Be involved in the school when possible. Attend meetings. Contact teachers if something happens that could affect your child's schoolwork; check the online calendar for major events that will affect your child including dates for progress reports and report cards. Remember your interest and support for education has been shown to be a very important factor in your child's success. If you value education, chances are your child will pick up on your values and feel the same way. Thanks again for coming tonight. It was wonderful to see you here.

CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR: You are required to:

- 1) Be completely prepared for class with a notebook, homework, calculator (TI–84), and a supply of sharpened pencils (no pens allowed).
- 2) Complete all homework on your own. Copying homework IS CHEATING.
- 3) Be on time for class.
- 4) Demonstrate self-control to facilitate the learning process.
- 5) Give full attention to the teacher or classmate who is speaking to the class.
- 6) Be respectful, courteous, tolerant, and kind to all persons in the class.
- 7) Actively participate in all cooperative group activities.
- 8) Turn in all assignments, worksheets, and on time. Failure to comply with the above requirements will result in disciplinary actions and parent contact.
- 9) Each student was given a textbook to TAKE HOME. I have a classroom set.

**NOTEBOOK:** All students must have a large algebra notebook with at least 2 sections. Section One should contain all daily notes. Each set of notes should be clearly titled and dated for each class period. All notes should be neatly written so you can study from them. Everything on the board should be in your notes as well as any special tips or ideas you have to help you remember important ideas. Section Two should contain all the homework assignments which should be also clearly dated and labeled. All steps should be clearly written so you can discuss them or put them on the board if called upon. Any diagrams should be carefully copied and labeled. Notebooks must be brought to each class and. It is your responsibility to get any missing notes and assignments due to absence before the day of the test.

**HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENTS:** Homework will count toward your grade and missing homework will reduce your grade. You will be given a homework assignment most nights. The homework is designed to help you practice, remember, and connect the day's lesson with previously learned ideas. Math cannot be learned by listening alone. You must be actively involved in your learning and the homework is the way to do that. Homework is checked daily for completeness and effort. It is occasionally collected. If you have trouble completing the assignment, you are to copy the problem and place a star, note, or question mark next to it indicating difficulty with the problem and then ask about it the next class. Assignments that are incomplete or not done at all are recorded. You will also occasionally have a homework quiz. More detail will follow on these unannounced quizzes. If you are absent, check the PowerSchool site for the assignment you missed. You must make up any homework assigned while you were out.

**TESTING:** Tests will be given at regular intervals, usually at the end of a chapter. Quizzes will be given as frequently as the material demands. Problem Solving will be given on a weekly basis and Long Term Projects will occasionally be given. They must satisfy all written requirements and be done neatly. Please be aware that any work that is copied from a source (book, video, audio, or computer) must be footnoted. Work that is not referenced and is obviously not yours will not be accepted. Cheating on tests or quizzes will automatically result in a grade of 0 for that test as per school policy.

**GRADING:** All grading is done on a point basis. Tests are worth 100 points. Quizzes are worth 10 to 85 points. Bonus points are offered to the entire class at various times throughout the year. No student will be given his/her own extra credit assignment to pull up a low grade. **EXTRA HELP:** I will be available for extra as needed. Please just ask. The National Honor Society also offers tutoring during lunch periods. An application form is available in the Guidance Office.

Other Info:

- 1) All math tests and quizzes must be done in pencil. Failure to comply will result in a lower score. Pens and markers may not be used for notes.
- 2) Work turned in late will not always be accepted. You will lose credit for that assignment.
- 3) Please remember to treat your books gently. Any books that are damaged or lost will have to be replaced at your expense. Current prices are \$90 -\$100.
- 4) Carving into, writing on, or otherwise defacing desks is a serious violation and students will be required to make restitution for any damaged desks and will receive demerits.
- 5) Various math tools will be used in class. They are to be used responsibly and returned before the end of the class period.
- 6) No chewing gum, food, or drinks are allowed in the classroom. Failure to comply will result in a detention or demerits
- 7) My email address is rkevinball@archbishopryan.com
- 8) All test must have **CORRECTIONS** done as a homework assignment. It is a mandatory 10 point assignment. If you get a "100" you won't have any corrections so **I give you the 10 homework points automatically.**