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## Welcome to Extended Algebra 1!

Algebra is the basic preparation for future high school math courses. To help you be successful, you will learn and master the algebraic concepts of integers, variables, expressions, equations and graphs. Upon successful completion of this course, you will be prepared for Geometry Survey.

Your grade for each semester will be determined according to the following criteria:

Daily Work	20%
Assessments	70%
Final Exam	10%

Daily work will be graded for demonstrated effort. Late assignments will be accepted only until the unit test and late assignments will not earn more than three points out of five.

Letter grades will be distributed according to the following chart:

Grade	Percentage Range
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	0-59

Grades are calculated cumulatively throughout the semester. Thus, each quarter grade should be viewed simply as a progress report.

You are expected to come to every class and to come on time. I keep careful track of attendance, and notify parents and counselors when problems arise.

To ensure success in this class, you will need to bring the following every day: a pencil or pen, paper, and a calculator that works with fractions.

You can always find helpful class information on my website ([bhsteachers.org/wichser](http://bhsteachers.org/wichser)), or by emailing me ([Ben.Wichser@beaverton.k12.or.us](mailto:Ben.Wichser@beaverton.k12.or.us)). I am also available for extra help before and after school most days.

Finally, to ensure a respectful environment for every member of the class, comments of a racist, sexist or homophobic nature will be deemed inappropriate.