

Mrs. McDaniel Room 126

Welcome to Mrs. McDaniel's Algebraic Connections class. I am looking forward to having each of you and I am filled with excitement about the upcoming year, although it looks a lot different this year. With everyone's cooperation, students will be provided the best opportunities to learn at their highest potential. I expect nothing but the best from each of you.

I believe that a good parent-teacher relationship is necessary for maximum school success. I encourage you to contact me if you have any questions or concerns at any time. You can call me at the school by calling (334) 598-4461, send me a note, or e-mail me at mcdanielc@daleville.k12.al.us.

### **Class Objectives**

Unit 1: Solving Equations and Inequalities
Unit 2: Solving Systems of Equations
Unit 3: Exponential Functions
Unit 4: Rate of Change
Unit 5: Quadratic Functions

Unit 6 : Consumer and Financial Math Unit 7 : Proportions and Similarities

Unit 8 : Right Triangles
Unit 9 : Ratios

Unit 10: Statistics and Probability

I believe in order to learn these objectives; my classroom needs to be a positive learning environment with little discipline problems. In order to create this positive environment, we will follow the DHS discipline plan to help all students stay on task. I hope that by working together, the students, parents and I can make my class the environment every student deserves. Students are expected to follow all school rules including those pertaining to dress code and cell phone use. Paper, pencils, and calculators will be daily requirements. Students will be expected to behave in a manner that is conducive to the learning environment.

Along with a discipline plan, I have also developed a homework and grading policy that are essentials to a successful year in my class. I hope after reading the following policies you will get an idea of what is expected from your student.

## McDaniel's Grading Policy

I follow the DHS grading scale that is outlined in the DHS student handbook.

Weight of Grades:

Test -50%

Daily/Homework—30%

**Quiz—20%** 

Any assignments turned in late will automatically have points taken off. Late assignments are accepted but not for full credit. Tests and quizzes are graded for accuracy, while some assignments will be graded for effort. In order to receive full credit for assignments, every problem must be attempted following the procedures taught in class. If any student misses an assignment/test a zero will automatically be placed in the gradebook for that assignment. Absent students will have **seven days** to make up any missing assignments or tests. If students fail to make up the assignment in the allotted time frame the zero will remain. It will be the student's responsibility to check Schoology or INow for missing assignments. Mrs. McDaniel does not allow tests to be made up during class time. Students will have to come after school or at another agreed upon time to make up missing tests. We will have a number of quizzes throughout each grading period, and students are allowed to miss 2 quizzes. These 2 missed quizzes won't count against them for their final grade and will not have to be made up. Students who do not miss any quizzes are allowed to drop their two lowest quiz grades. If a student misses one quiz, then only one quiz can be dropped.

# **McDaniel's Homework Policy**

Homework will not be assigned on a regular day-to-day basis. Most homework will consist of class work that was not finished in class. All homework assignments are due the next time class meets (at the beginning of class) unless otherwise specified. It is the responsibility of the student to check Schoology for any missed assignments or notes. Homework will almost <u>always</u> be taken for a grade.

### Plagiarism and Cheating

Cheating, copying and plagiarism are serious acts of academic dishonesty that are not tolerated at Daleville High School. Students who cheat/plagiarize will receive a zero for the assignment/test. Any student who is caught allowing another student to copy their work will also receive a failing grade for that assignment. This rule will apply to tests, projects, worksheets, homework assignments and etc.

#### **Textbooks**

Each teacher only received a class setoff textbooks and for this reason students will not be able to take textbooks home. (Most assignments will be completed in the classroom) Students will still be responsible for the upkeep of the textbooks while in class. If any student is caught damaging or neglecting a textbook he or she will be responsible for paying for a replacement.

#### Chromebooks

Daleville High School students are NOT allowed to use their own electronic devices during school hours. During my class, students will have access to a Chromebook. Students will use the Chromebook for any research, assignments, Schoology, or to check INow.

# **Schoology**

All assignments will be uploaded to Schoology. If you are absent it will be your responsibility to look on Schoology and get missed assignments/notes. If you are participating in Virtual Learning you should check Schoology every day for assignments.