Mathematics

Brunswick School Department Algebra 1: Academic Laws of Exponents

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Essential Understandings	The laws of exponents are very important to future mathematical work.
Essential Questions	 What are the multiplication laws of exponents? How do I evaluate powers with negative exponents? How do I evaluate powers with zero as their exponent? What are the division laws of exponents?
Essential Knowledge	 There are many multiplication laws of exponents. There are rules for negative exponents. There are rules for zero as an exponent. There are many division laws of exponents.
Vocabulary	 Terms: power, base, exponent, product of powers property, power of a product property, zero exponents, negative exponents, quotient of a powers property, power of a quotient property
Essential Skills	 Use the multiplication laws of exponents. Evaluate powers with negative exponents. Evaluate powers with zero as their exponent. Use the division laws of exponents.
Related Maine Learning Results	Mathematics A. Number Real Number A1.Students will know how to represent and use real numbers. c. Compute using laws of exponents. D. Algebra Symbols and Expressions D1.Students understand and use polynomials and expressions with rational exponents. a. Simplify expressions including those with rational numbers.
Sample Lessons And Activities	 Students will orally respond to questions. Students will utilize worksheets and in their notes to demonstrate individual understanding of the concepts.
Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	QuizzesTake-home worksheetsTests
Sample Resources	 Publications: Algebra -Foerster