

**MATH 1 - BEGINNING ALGEBRA  
SPRING 1998**

**MEETING TIMES AND DAYS** : The times of our meeting are Monday and Wednesday **ONLY**, from 2 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.. This is **NOT** how it is listed in the schedule, it has been changed. If you cannot stay in class until 4:15, drop this class and take another section.

**INSTRUCTOR:**  
LAUREN J. NOVATNE

**REQUIRED TEXT:** **Beginning Algebra,**  
McKeague, 5<sup>th</sup> edition.

**LAST DAY TO DROP THE CLASS:** **FRIDAY JANUARY 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**COURSE OBJECTIVE:** Students will be introduced to operations with signed numbers and variables, algebraic expressions, linear equations and their graphs, inequalities, exponents, factoring, rational expressions, radicals and quadratic equations.

**ATTENDANCE:** Is very important. You begin the semester with 50 attendance points. If you miss a class, you lose two points. If you're late, or leave the class early, you lose one point. If you miss six classes in a row, I will drop you from the class. I will not be able to drop you after **FRIDAY MARCH 13<sup>th</sup>**. After that day, you will have a letter grade on your transcript for this class (if you don't finish the work, you could finish the class with an **F**). The only excused absences are those that are because of a school function, or a required court appearance. You will need to show me some proof that your absence is excusable.

**EXAMS AND QUIZZES:** Exams are given at the end of each unit, quizzes are given weekly. The lowest quiz and exam score will be dropped. **THE FINAL EXAM IS MONDAY MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AT 2 p.m.**

**MISSED EXAMS AND QUIZZES:** If you miss an exam or quiz, the first missed one can be dropped from your total score. If you miss more than one exam or quiz, the score(s) for the other missed one(s) will be zero. You are responsible for everything covered in class. If you miss a class, you need to find out what was covered when you were gone.

**HOMEWORK:** Is assigned and collected weekly. The section # will be determined in class, right before it is collected. You should do **ALL** the assigned work, as it helps you learn the material. The section to be collected is unknown, even by me, until Monday afternoon.

**NO LATE HOMEWORK WILL BE COLLECTED, NO EXCEPTIONS**

HOLIDAYS: January 19<sup>th</sup>, February 16<sup>th</sup>, April 6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup>

GRADING POLICY:

**EXAMS:** Each exam is worth 100 points. There are **NO MAKE UP EXAMS GIVEN !**

**QUIZZES:** Each quiz is worth 10 points

**HOMEWORK:** Each homework assignment is worth 10 points, and is graded on completeness, neatness and effort. **ALL WORK MUST BE SHOWN, OR NO CREDIT IS GIVEN!!!**

**ATTENDANCE:** As stated earlier, you begin the semester with 50 attendance points. If you are present in class, on time and remain for the entire period, you will receive the entire 50 points at the end of the semester. You only lose points if you are absent, late or leave early.

**EXTRA CREDIT:** The chapter tests are offered as extra credit towards your grade. If you complete the chapter test, **SHOWING ALL OF YOUR WORK**, you will receive an extra 5 points which is added to your total point sum. These points can be helpful, they can bring your grade up quite a bit. The chapter tests are very helpful in reviewing the material for each chapter as well, this is a good study aid for the exams.

To calculate your grade: Add up all of your points, then divide them by the total number of possible points. This number is your percentage possible for the semester. Your grade is then determined by the following grading scale:

<u>Percent of Total Points</u>	<u>Grade</u>
89 - 100	A
78 - 88	B
65 - 77	C
55 - 64	D
0 - 54	F

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COURSE OUTLINE**

<b>CHAPTER 1</b>	<b>JAN 12 -JAN 26</b>
<b>CHAPTER 2</b>	<b>JAN 28 - FEB. 9</b>
<b>CHAPTER 3</b>	<b>FEB. 11 - MAR 4</b>
<b>CHAPTER 4</b>	<b>MAR 9 - MAR 23</b>
<b>CHAPTER 5</b>	<b>MAR 25 - APR 15</b>
<b>CHAPTER 6</b>	<b>APR 20 - APR 29</b>
<b>CHAPTERS 7 &amp; 8, SECTION 9.6</b>	<b>MAY 4 - MAY 14</b>
<b>FINAL EXAM</b>	<b>MONDAY MAY 18th, 2 p.m.</b>

