

Warren County School District
PLANNED INSTRUCTION

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course Title: Algebra Concepts

Course Number: 00206

Course Prerequisites: Score below 60% in Pre-Algebra OR at or below basic level on PSSA

Course Description:

This course will include the essentials of Algebra for students scoring below 60% in Pre-Algebra or at the basic or below basic level on the PSSA. Algebra Concepts is an elective credit taken in preparation for a two-year sequence of Algebra 1A and Algebra 1B.

Suggested Grade Level: Ninth Grade

Length of Course: ☐ One Semester ☒ Two Semesters ☐ Other (Describe)

Units of Credit: 1 elective credit (Insert *None* if appropriate)

PDE Certification and Staffing Policies and Guidelines (CSPG) Required Teacher Certifications:
CSPG #50 Mathematics

Certification verified by WCSD Human Resources Department: ☒ Yes ☐ No

TEXTBOOK AND SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS

Planned Instruction reflects use of current Board approved textbook? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If YES, complete the current textbook information below. If NO, complete new textbook information to be approved.)

Board Approved Textbooks, Software, Supplemental Materials:

Title: On Ramp to Algebra

Publisher: Pearson

ISBN #: 9780133241396

Copyright Date: 2013

Date of WCSD Board Approval:

BOARD APPROVAL:

Date Written: 07/13/15

Date Approved: _____

Implementation Date: 2015-2016

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND GIFTED REQUIREMENTS

The teacher shall make appropriate modification to instruction and assessment based on a student's Individual Education Plan (IEP) or Gifted Individual Education Plan (GIEP).

COURSE OVERVIEW

I. Foundations of Algebra

- A. Reasoning with Diagrams
- B. Reasoning with Numbers
- C. Reasoning with Variables
- D. Conventions for Using Parenthesis
- E. The Number Properties
- F. Conventions and the Number Properties
- G. Using Variables in Formulas
- H. The Distributive Property
- I. Applying the Distributive Property
- J. The Inverses of Addition and Multiplication
- K. Relationship between Quantities
- L. Using Graphs to Represent Relationships
- M. Understanding the Problem Situation
- N. Representing Problem Situations
- O. Writing Formulas to Answer Questions

II. Operations with Fractions

- A. Adding and Subtracting Fractions
- B. Adding with Different Denominators
- C. Multiplying by a Whole Number
- D. Multiplying Fractions
- E. Finding Differences
- F. Addition and Subtraction as Inverses
- G. Shortest Distance
- H. Dividing Fractions
- I. Mixed Operations
- J. Shortest Time

III. Positive and Negative Numbers

- A. Extending the Number Line
- B. Putting Numbers in Order
- C. Adding with Negative Numbers
- D. Subtracting with Negative Numbers

- E. Adding and Subtracting
- F. Balloon Model
- G. Reviewing Addition and Subtraction
- H. Multiplying and Dividing
- I. Order of Operations
- J. Mixed Operations
- K. Number Properties
- L. Absolute Value
- M. Word Problems

IV. Ratio and Proportionality

- A. Comparing Quantities
- B. Representing Ratios
- C. Unit Ratios and Equal Ratios
- D. Ratio Tables
- E. Solving Proportion Problems and Ratio Tables
- F. Introducing Rates
- G. Reviewing Ratio and Arithmetic
- H. Enlarging and Reducing
- I. Scale Factor and Ratio
- J. Unit Price
- K. Unit Conversion
- L. Unit Analysis
- M. Representing Proportional Relationships
- N. Identifying Proportional Relationships
- O. Graphing Proportional Relationships
- P. Formulas and Proportional Relationships
- Q. Introducing Functions
- R. Inversely Proportional Relationships

V. Showing Relationships with Graphs

- A. Building the Coordinate Plane
- B. Constant Ratios and Graphing
- C. How Steep is the line?
- D. Introducing Slope
- E. Graphing Negative Values
- F. Relationships Without a Constant Ratio
- G. Graphing Geometric Relationships
- H. Graphing Discrete and Continuous Data
- I. Linear Graphs
- J. Focus on Slope
- K. Parallel and Perpendicular Lines
- L. Solving Systems by Graphing
- M. Interpreting Graphs

VI. Expressions, Equations and Exponents

- A. Representing Quantities with Expressions
- B. Evaluating Expressions
- C. Exponents
- D. Operations with Exponents
- E. Expressions and Area Models
- F. Combining Like Terms

- G. Combining Quantities
- H. Adding and Subtracting Expressions
- I. Parenthesis and Exponents
- J. Negative Exponents
- K. Scientific Notation
- L. Estimating Square Roots
- M. The Pythagorean Theorem
- N. Writing Equivalent Expressions
- O. Using Expressions in Geometry
- P. Writing Equations
- Q. The Addition Property of Equality
- R. The Multiplication Property of Equality
- S. Solving Equations Requiring Simplification
- T. Inequalities

For standards, essential questions, content, and skills see Curriculum Map – [Click here to enter text.](#)

ASSESSMENT

Portfolio Assessment: _____ Yes X No

District-Wide Common Final Examination Required: X Yes _____ No

Course Challenge Assessment (Describe): This course cannot be challenged.

WRITING TEAM: Warren County School District Teachers

WCSD STUDENT DATA SYSTEM INFORMATION

1. Is there a required final examination? X Yes _____ No
**Warren County School District Policy 9741 and 9744 state, "All classes in grades 9-12 shall have a final exam."*
2. Does this course issue a mark/grade for the report card? X Yes _____ No
3. Does this course issue a Pass/Fail mark? _____ Yes X No
4. Is the course mark/grade part of the GPA calculation? X Yes _____ No
5. Is the course eligible for Honor Roll calculation? X Yes _____ No
6. What is the academic weight of the course?
 _____ No weight/Non credit X Standard weight _____ Enhanced weight