JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL
COURSE SYLLABUS
DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

1. COURSE NUMBER, TITLE, UNITS AND PRINCIPAL/DEPARTMENT APPROVED DESCRIPTION

   Algebra II (Two semesters; 5 units each semester; 10 units total)

2. GENERAL INFORMATION

   Term and year: 2015-16
   Instructor: Amity Shatraw
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   E-mail address: amity-shatraw@scusd.edu

3. TEXTBOOKS AND/OR RECOMMENDED OR REQUIRED READINGS


4. GENERAL OVERVIEW

   Algebra II is a course that expands on the topics of Algebra I and Geometry providing further mathematics development stressing the concept and application of a function. This particular course uses a common core approach to learning. Students will be introduced to standards for mathematical practice. This college preparation course is the foundation for high school advanced and basic college level mathematics courses. It is the bridge from the concrete to the abstract study of mathematics. Starting with a review the fundamental of skills of algebra, students will explore more advanced algebraic expressions and concepts. Topics include simplifying expressions, evaluating and solving equations and inequalities, and graphing linear and quadratic functions and relations. Real world applications are presented within the course content and a function's approach is emphasized. Topics include: (1) relations, functions, equations and inequalities; (2) conic sections; (3) polynomials; (4) algebraic fractions; (5) logarithmic and exponential functions; (6) sequences and series; and (7) counting principles and probability.

5. COURSE OBJECTIVES

   The following sequence by textbook chapter identifies the major units making up the Algebra II curriculum.
   Chapter 1 Tools of Algebra
   Chapter 2 Functions and Relations
   Chapter 3 Systems of Equalities and Inequalities
   Chapter 4 Matrices
   Chapter 5 Quadratic Functions
Chapter 6 Polynomial Functions  
Chapter 7 Radical Functions  
Chapter 8 Exponential and Logarithmic Functions  
Chapter 9 Rational Functions  
Chapter 12 Probability and Statistics  
Chapter 11 Sequence and Series  
Chapter 10 Conic Sections  

Students will acquire and demonstrate knowledge of the concepts, definitions and properties required to meet the Algebra II mathematics standards. Students will develop critical thinking and decision-making skills by connecting concepts to practical applications needed to be productive members of society. All students are expected to demonstrate the following objectives:

- Students should be able to work with functions represented in a variety of ways: graphical, numerical, analytical, or verbal. Students should understand the connections among these representations.
- Students should be able to communicate mathematics both orally and in well-written sentences and should be able to explain solutions to problems.
- Students should be able to model a written description of a physical situation with a function.
- Students should be able to use technology (graphing calculators and graphing software) to help solve problems, experiment, interpret results, and verify conclusions.
- Students should be able to determine the validity of solutions, including sign, size, relative accuracy, and units of measurement.

### 6. COURSE REQUIREMENTS, ATTENDANCE AND SPECIFIC GRADING POLICY

Grades are based on demonstrated mastery of concepts and development of skills, not effort or potential. *A major component of your grade is determined by your results on assessments.* Progress reports are available on the District Web site in Infinite Campus.

### Grading Scale:

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Late work resulting from student absences will only be accepted if the absence is excused through
the attendance office. It is the student’s responsibility to make arrangements with the teacher the
day before or after the absence for make-up work.

Zeros will be issued on ANY daily assignment or assessment to the cheating students and the
enabler.

The teacher has the right to adjust assessments, daily assignments and due dates as necessary.

**HOMEWORK AND STUDY:** Homework and student study is an essential part of your
education. Any student expecting to do well in this course should carefully read the text and do all
the assigned work.

Assignments are a guide as to what is most important and what will be tested. Assignments are
given daily. *Students not actively engaged in assignments and study will most likely fail the class.*
Planning your study should include a minimum hour of quality time daily. There is no weighting
applied to any score.

The math dept. complies with district protocol that can be viewed at [www.scusd.edu](http://www.scusd.edu).

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### 7. DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR ACTIVITIES/EXERCISES/PROJECTS

**Instructional Strategies and Activities Include:**
- Lecture on concepts and techniques
- Presentation/modeling of examples and strategies
- Large and small group discussions and explorations
- Reading and writing assignments
- Practice and learning through classwork and daily assignments
- Applications to demonstrate relevance and extend learning
- Active student engagement in group work and discussions
- Quizzes, and tests to encourage and monitor learning

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### 8. GENERAL STATEMENTS

**CLASSROOM BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS:** The following summarize important expectations for classroom behavior.
- Students are expected to attend class every day.
- Students are expected to complete all assignments on time.
- Students are expected to be seated and prepared for learning when the bell rings.
- Students are expected to treat their classmates with respect; no put downs of any kind.
- Students are expected to actively and positively participate in class.
- Students are expected to demonstrate personal responsibility, honesty, and integrity in all
  of their actions.

**CLASSROOM RULES:** The following few rules guide classroom behavior and activity.
• Follow teacher directions and requests immediately.
• Keep your hands, feet, and other objects to yourself.
• Remain seated unless you have permission to move about the classroom.

Eating (food, candy, etc.) and gum chewing are not permitted in the classroom.

**ELECTRONIC DEVICES:** Electronics (music devices, cell phones, etc.) are to be turned completely off and away.

**CHARACTERISTICS OF QUALITY WORK:** Using the following guidelines will help you master the Algebra II objectives. Quality work has the following characteristics.

• Is complete with full solution. That is, all problems are completed or at least attempted.
• The supporting work for each problem is shown completely using proper algebraic conventions and notations.
• The work is done neatly.
• The work is done accurately.

**CHARACTERISTICS OF A SUCCESSFUL STUDENT:** Students that are successful in school generally exhibit the following traits:

• Is consistently present for class.
• Desires to learn the material presented.
• Uses time wisely.
• Does practice work, study, and test preparation.
• Asks thoughtful questions during class.
• Actively participates in class and gets extra help when needed.

**CALCULATOR USE AND EXPECTATION:** A scientific calculator is necessary for this course.

**SUPPLIES:** Lined notepaper, 3-ring binder for math, pencils, ruler, eraser.

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**Outline of class sessions:**

Ch 1 Algebra Review. Pacing and content at teacher discretion.

Ch 2 (14 days)
- 2.1 Relations and Functions
- 2.2 Linear Functions
- 2.3 Direct Variation
- 2.4 Using Linear Models
- 2.5 Absolute Value Functions
- 2.6 Vertical and Horizontal Translations
- 2.7 Two-variable Inequalities

Ch 3 (12 days)
- 3.1 Graphing Systems of Equations
- 3.2 Solving Systems Algebraically
- 3.3 Systems of Inequalities
- 3.4 Linear Programming
- 3.5 Systems with Three Variables

Ch 4 (12 days)
- 4.1 Organizing Data Into Matrices
- 4.2 Adding and Subtracting Matrices
- 4.3 Matrix Multiplication
- 4.5 2 x 2 Determinants and Inverses
- 4.8 Cramer’s Rule

Ch 5 (16 days)
- 5.1 Modeling Data with Quadratic Functions
- 5.2 Properties of Parabolas
- 5.3 Translating Parabolas
- 5.4 Factoring Quadratic Equations
- 5.5 Quadratic Equations
- 5.6 Complex Numbers
- 5.7 Completing the Square
- 5.8 Quadratic Formula

Ch 6 (16 days)
- 6.1 Polynomial Functions
- 6.2 Polynomials and Linear Factors
- 6.3 Dividing Polynomials
- 6.4 Solving Polynomial Equations
- 6.5 Theorems about Roots of Polynomial Equations
- 6.6 Fundamental Theorem of Algebra
- 6.7 Permutations and Combinations
- 6.8 The Binomial Theorem
Ch 7 (16 days)
7.1 Roots and Radical Expressions
7.2 Multiplying and Dividing rational Expressions
7.3 Bimomial Radical Expressions
7.4 Rational Exponents
7.5 Solving Radical Equations
7.6 Function Operations
7.7 Inverse Relations and Functions
7.8 Graphing Radical Functions

Ch 8 (13 days)
8.1 Exploring Exponential Models
8.2 Properties of Exponential Functions
8.3 Logarithmic Functions as Inverses
8.4 Properties of Logarithms
8.5 Exponential an Logarithmic Equations
8.6 Natural Logarithms

Ch 9 (10 days)
9.1 Inverse Variation
9.2 Graphing Inverse Variations
9.3 Rational Functions and Their Graphs
9.4 Rational Expressions
9.5 Adding and Subtracting Rational Expressions
9.6 Solving Rational Equations

Ch 10 (13 days)
10.1 Exploring Conic Sections
10.2 Parabolas
10.3 Circles
10.4 Ellipses
10.5 Hyperbolas
10.6 Translating Conic Sections

Probability (6 days)
1.6 Probability
9.7 Probability of Multiple Events