

Mr. Alderman
Algebra I / Algebra II

- I will keep grades updated in Power School. Homework will be entered weekly. Everything else will be entered the day it is turned in or the day after it's turned in. Here are some things you can look for in Power School:
 - **Homework** is graded on effort; all HW grades should be 100%.
 - **Journals** must be checked with me at least a day before they are due. If the students make all the corrections that I suggest they should earn 100% on Journals.
 - **Notes** grades should be 100% as well.
 - **Quiz** and **3-min Quiz** scores tend to fluctuate throughout the year. A few low grades here are not a concern.
 - Tests are worth the most points. I get them into the gradebook the day we take them or the day after. I will send a letter home if the grade is good or if it is low. Students must retake any test below a C. I'll notify you if this occurs. Getting the test retaken in a timely manner will help your child catch up. I'll give them some extra credit if they get the retake completed within a week of the original test.

- I print out a grade sheet at least once a week and post it in the room.
 - Besides the current grade, I include the student's "potential grade." This is what their grade would be if they earned 100% on all Homework, Journals, and Notes.
 - If you are ever interested in the "potential grade" of your child, e-mail me at ralderman@usd329.com and I'll send you their current and potential grade.

You don't have to know anything about Algebra to help your child. Check up on their grades and remind them that they can get 100% on all Homework, Journals, and Notes. Tell them to come by and see me for help if they are struggling. I'm available at 7:30 most mornings and during AB.

I guarantee the students an A or B if they will:

1. Do all of the homework.
2. Stop by and see me after absences to learn about what they missed.
3. Stop by for help whenever they START to feel lost.