



# John H. Reagan High School

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## Pre-Calculus Course Syllabus 2009 - 2010

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Room: A210

### Course Overview

**Pre-Calculus** is primarily concerned with developing the students' understanding of the concepts of precalculus and providing experience with its methods and applications. The courses emphasize a multi-representational approach to precalculus, with concepts, results, and problems being expressed graphically, numerically, analytically, and verbally. This course is intended to prepare our students for success on college entrance exams to enable them to begin with college algebra or higher level mathematics courses.

### General Expectations

#### Students will...

- Get to class on time & prepared w/ requested materials (pencils, paper, erasers, & binder/folder)
  - Respect & promote a positive environment
  - No sleeping while in **my** class
  - Sharpen all pencils if needed when entering the classroom.
  - No CD players, mp3s, or ipods. (They will be taken away if seen while on campus).
  - Participation is required:
- Turned in work must be completed in pencil & on time.
  - Only notes can be written in ink
  - No cheating
  - follow HISD/Reagan HS policies and rules
  - Remember to always do your best.

- ◆ if correct/try (by showing work & calculations) = A,
- ◆ if attempt/try (by showing work & calculations) = C,
- ◆ if refused = 0 (zero) F

### Required Materials

- ◆ Pencil/Eraser
- ◆ College-Ruled Notebook Paper
- ◆ Course Folder/Binder

### Grading

1. Criteria: 40% Daily Work ◆ 60% Tests/Quizzes
2. It is the **students' responsibility** to turn in late assignments. Late assignments are penalized **25 points per day** from the grade earned.
3. **ALL** applicable work must be shown on assignments/tests. **No Work ⇒ No Credit.**
4. **ALL** applicable work must be written in pencil. If not, for the students' 1<sup>st</sup> offense, 25 pts taken from the earned graded. 2<sup>nd</sup> & so on offense, 50 pts from the earned grade.
5. Students may improve a **failing test grade** for a maximum score of 70, provided that he/she submit **ALL** missed (incorrect) problems reworked correctly and neatly, with a narrative error explanation to the teacher within 3 day of receipt of their test.
6. Students who are absent on the day a quiz is given, will have to do a make-up quiz upon their return to class during their lunch time or after school. If not, the student will be given a failing grade.

**Students are directed to provide and discuss this syllabus with their parent/guardian the day of its receipt. Additionally, it is requested that the student return the signed acknowledgement form below the day following its receipt.**

### Acknowledgement

We, the undersigned, have read, understand and will comply with all expectations set forth in the Pre-Calculus course syllabus at John H. Reagan High School.

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Student Name (Please Print)

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Student Signature (Date)

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Parent/Guardian Signature (Date)