

## ALGEBRA 1

**Course Frequency:** Full-year course, five times per week

Mathematics at RJ Grey JHS and ABRHS are aligned with the [Massachusetts Math Framework 2017](#) and seek to develop deep mathematical proficiency for all students in **five interrelated strands**:

- **Conceptual Understanding** – The comprehension and connection of concepts, operations, and relations that establish the foundation of and are necessary for developing procedural fluency.
- **Procedural Fluency** – To use math effectively, students must be able to do much more than carry out mathematical procedures. They must know which procedure is appropriate and most productive in a given situation, what a procedure accomplishes, and what kind of results to expect.
- **Problem Solving** – The ability to formulate, represent, and solve mathematical problems.
- **Justify Reasoning** – The capacity to think logically and to justify one’s thinking and critique the reasoning of others.
- **Productive Disposition** – We want students to understand that math is useful, interesting, and worthwhile, and that they can become really good at it if they persevere and apply effective effort.

The **Algebra 1** course in 8th Grade is aligned with the high school Algebra 1AE curriculum. Students who successfully complete this course will take Geometry in 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

## **Course-End Learning Objectives**

*Students will:*

- 1] Perform operations/simplify expressions with rational numbers
- 2] Perform operations/simplify expressions using the order of operations, including exponents
- 3] Solve equations using geometric formulas for perimeter, area and volume
- 4] Apply the distributive property to algebraic expressions and use the distributive property to solve real-life problems.
- 5] Solve more complex linear equations including those with fractional and decimal coefficients
- 6] Solve word problems in one variable involving perimeter, coins, mixture, and motion
- 7] Identify linear systems having one solution, no solution, or infinitely many solutions.
- 8] Solve literal equations and formulas for one of its variables.
- 9] Understand the concepts of rates of change and slope
- 10] Calculate slope from a graph or from two points
- 11] Graph lines in Slope Intercept Form, Point-Slope Form, and Standard Form including horizontal and vertical lines
- 12] Identify patterns that connect lines, tables and graphs in Slope-Intercept Form
- 13] Use Point Slope Form and Standard Form to solve real-life problems.
- 14] Find equations of lines in Slope Intercept Form, Point-Slope Form, and Standard Form
- 15] Understand the connections of the slopes of parallel and perpendicular lines, and find equations of parallel and perpendicular lines
- 16] Solve systems of equations in two variables using graphing, substitution or linear combination.
- 17] Identify linear systems having one solution, no solution, or infinitely many solutions
- 18] Solve word problems using two variables
- 19] Use the properties of exponents to simplify exponential expressions.
- 20] Write, use, and graph models of exponential growth and decay.
- 21] Find the domain and range of functions
- 22] Use function notation to evaluate functions and the composition of functions
- 23] Understand and apply piecewise functions
- 24] Solve quadratic functions by finding square roots
- 25] Solve quadratic equations by factoring, using the quadratic formula, and completing the square

- 26] Identify, use, and apply the discriminant to find the number of solutions of quadratic equations and real-life problems.
- 27] Graph quadratic equations.
- 28] Apply many factoring techniques to solve quadratic, cubic and quartic expressions
- 29] Apply factoring patterns of special products of polynomials
- 30] Add, subtract, and multiply polynomials.
- 31] Find the distance between, and the midpoint between, two points.
- 32] Add, subtract, multiply polynomials. 33] Apply the quadratic formula or complete the square to solve quadratic equations and inequalities.
- 34] Solve and graph simple and compound inequalities, including those with absolute value
- 35] Add, subtract, multiply and divide radical expressions.
- 36] Solve and graph radical equations.
- 37] Understand and use arithmetic and geometric sequences
- 38] Understand and use transformations of a parent function  $y = f(x)$  to  $y = af(x - h) + k$
- 39] Determine a line of best fit, interpret the correlation coefficient, plot residuals, and predict values using interpolation and extrapolation

8th Grade Algebra 1 Only as Part of 8<sup>th</sup>-Grade Standards

- 40] Use scientific notation to solve real-life problems
- 41] Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to real-life problems.