



## Syllabus

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\*Contains link my classroom Weebly, worksheets and answers\*  
or

<https://kziebell.weebly.com>

**Textbook:** Prentice Hall Mathematics Michigan Pre-Algebra

**Classroom Atmosphere:** In order to create an optimum learning environment, there must be mutual respect for everyone in the class. I expect each and every one of you to make learning in this class a priority and come to class willing to learn. While I am here to teach you, support you and challenge your minds, the amount of success you have in this class will be related to the effort you put in.

**There are absolutely no cell phones allowed! They must be placed in the number slot assigned to you.**

### **Academic Expectations:**

- Come to class daily and on time
- Be prepared
- Be respectful
- Participate
- Try

**Materials:** Students are expected to bring the following to class everyday unless otherwise directed:

- 3 -ring binder (I purchased already) that is only used for math with lined paper
- Pencil (must be used for all assignments, tests and quizzes- no exceptions)
- Pre-algebra textbook
- Calculator

**Homework:** Homework is essential for individual practice and to further understand the math concepts. This maybe work from the book and/or worksheets. The majority of the time, you will have time to start this in class. We will review homework daily after the warm-up/factor drills.

Things to remember when completing your homework...

**Completeness** – Is every assigned problem completed?

**Neatness** – Is the assignment legible and organized?

**Correctness** – Are the answers reasonable and correct

**Weekly warm-up sheets:** There will be warm-up problems in your notes packet to be completed at the beginning of each class done on warm-up sheets. These will be collected at the end of each week.

**Tests:** There will be tests during the trimester to evaluate what is being learned daily and to check for understanding. Students can re-take tests to improve grades but must set up arrangements with me at least one day prior to test re-take. They must all complete review for test. There will be a final at the completion of the trimester.

**Make-Up & Late Work:** All late and make up work should be completed within a week to prevent students from falling behind and will receive half credit for late work. No work is excepted after student takes test on chapter covering material. Pre-Algebra concepts build upon each other and it is difficult to keep up if you are behind in your work.

**Timed math drills:** Helps build math fluency and will reinforce basic math skills (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division).

**Grading:** Students will be evaluated on warm ups, time math factor drills, quizzes, tests, and participation.

**Participation:** 3 points

- 1 point for being ready when the bell rings and starting the warm up
- 1 point for class discussions and taking notes
- 1 point for working on class work/homework during class

**Homework:** 3 points but points may vary

**The grading scale is as follows:**

A	100 – 93.00%	A-	92.99 – 90.00%	B+	89.99 – 87.00%
B	86.99 – 83.00%	B-	82.99 – 80.00%	C+	79.99 – 77.00%
C	76.99 – 73.00%	C-	72.99 – 70.00%	D+	69.99 – 67.00%
D	66.99 – 63.00%	D-	62.99 – 60.00%	E	59.99 – 0%

**Course Topics:**

- Algebraic Expressions and Integers
- Solving One-Step Equations and Inequalities
- Decimals and Fractions
- Factors, Fractions, and Exponents
- Operations with Fractions
- Ratios, Proportions, and Percent's
- Solving Equations and Inequalities

**If there is time: (This topics are covered in Integrated)**

- Linear Functions and Graphing
- Spatial Thinking
- Area and Volume
- Right Triangles in Algebra
- Data Analysis and Probability
- Nonlinear Functions and Polynomials

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\*There is also a link on my webpage- click on Pre-Algebra Textbook text in blue\*

## Pre-Algebra

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### **Syllabus Acceptance:**

As a student in Mrs. Ziebell's Pre-Algebra class, I have read the course syllabus and I understand and agree to fulfill the requirements. I understand that it is my responsibility to behave appropriately and always give my best effort. I have discussed the course syllabus with my parent/guardian and will keep them apprised of my math progress on a regular basis.

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Student's Name (please print)

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Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### **To be completed by parent/guardian:**

My student has discussed the syllabus with me and understands his/her responsibilities in Mrs. Ziebell's Pre-Algebra class. I will talk to my student regularly about their progress and I know how to reach Mrs. Ziebell via email should I have any questions or concerns.

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Parent/Guardian Name (please print)

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Contact E- Mail Address

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Parent/Guardian Phone Number