

# Intensive Math Cognitive Tutor Syllabus

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## Assignments:

1. Class notes: Students are required to take class notes. All notes must be labeled with the student's Name, Date, and Period. There are no excuses for not taking class notes.

2. Home-learning: Students will have HW assignments on an average of twice per week. HW will be collected, graded, and reviewed randomly. If student is absent on the due date, HW must be brought to class the first day the student returns. If HW is not turned in on that very day then it = Z. Furthermore, HW must be **done in pencil**. Students are expected to ask and answer questions about the HW. To receive credit, all work must be shown; **answers only = Z**. It is very important that you do your HW every time it is assigned, not only does it count as part of your final grad, but also **more importantly**, it will prepare you for the quizzes and tests.

3. Notebook: Students are required to have a notebook (**3-ring binder**.) The notebook may be collected at least once (randomly at any time) during each nine-week grading period and will **count as a quiz grade**. The notebook will be made up of four (4) sections: NOTES and algebra ASSIGNMENTS, geometry assignment, probability assignments.

## ATTENDANCE:

1. Attendance: Attendance is of utmost importance because you will be missing out on the classroom explanation or group activities. When you are absent it is **your responsibility to ask for any makeup notes, etc.** Students with excused absences only will be allowed to replace the missed quiz by the test exam. However, any student who has an unexcused absence will receive a zero (0) for each test or quiz. If you miss a test, you will have two (2) days to make up with an excused absence only. Once again, if student is absent, HW must be turned in on the very day student returns. If absent student, does not turn in HW, he/she receives a Z for that HW.

2. Tardies: The school wide tardy policy will be enforced. **DO NOT get caught in HALL SWEEPS** (unexcused absence) as this will automatically give you a "Z" for the day whether it's a CW assignment or a test.

## ACADEMICS:

1. Grade: Grades are based on Class work, Home Learning, Quizzes, Tests, Presentations, and Journals.

<b>Distribution</b>		<b>Grading Scale</b>	
20%	CW/HW	<b>90-100</b>	<b>A</b>
50%	Test/Quizzes	<b>80-89</b>	<b>B</b>
30%	Computer Lab	<b>70-79</b>	<b>C</b>
		<b>60-69</b>	<b>D</b>
		<b>Below 60</b>	<b>F</b>

2. Computer Lab. We will be using a computer called Cognitive Tutor Integrated Math. We will be in the computer lab 1 day a week, starting the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of school. The goals for each grading period (quarter) are listed below:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Q</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Q</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Q</b>	
Unit 4 Completed	6 additional units completed	3 additional units completed	<b>A</b>
Unit 3 Completed	5 additional units completed	2 additional units completed	<b>B</b>
Unit 2 Completed	4 additional units completed	1.5 additional units completed	<b>C</b>
Unit 1 Completed	3 additional units completed	1 additional unit completed	<b>D</b>
Unit 1 incomplete	2 additional units completed	<1 additional unit completed	<b>F</b>

## CONDUCT:

1. All basic school policies and Dade County policies must be adhered to in class. It has always been my belief that there exists only one main rule in my classroom: **I WILL NOT DISRUPT THE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT!!!!**

- No food or drinks in the classroom
- No talking when someone else is talking
- No standing up or walking around without permission
- Any objects that should not be in class will be removed and returned when a Parent /Guardian retrieves them from the main office (makeup, IPODs, cell phones, PSPs, etc.)

2. Any form of talking during an exam will be interpreted as cheating and will result in an **automatic F** for that exam.

3. The bell doesn't dismiss you, **I DO!**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

I will be your child's Intensive Math teacher for the 2007-2008 school year. I have already distributed & discussed my guidelines/expectations with all students in my class. I have certain expectations for this school year and need your assistance to reach these goals. There are materials required for each student in order to progress in the class. Please see to it that your child is supplied with the following:

**Mandatory**

- Three ring binder 1 1/2" thickness minimum
- Graph paper only (3 holes)
- 4 dividers
- Several No.2 pencils
- Erasers
- 2 ink pens (blue only)
- 4 function calculator
- Highlighters/color pencils
- Laminated formula sheet
- Dry erase markers
- Ruler

**Voluntary**

- Hand sanitizer
- Kleenex tissue paper
- Clorox disinfecting wipes
- Lysol disinfecting spray
- BOOKBAG!** Recall no lockers at Reagan Senior

These materials are to be brought daily. Please take the time to ask your child for his/her class syllabus and go over it. If you have any questions, comments, or needs, please do not hesitate to contact me at [dianacarballo@dadeschools.net](mailto:dianacarballo@dadeschools.net) Thank you and let us work together on your child's best academic year ever!

Best wishes,  
Orestes Amador, Jr.  
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**P.S. Open House will be in the month of October!**

**Check [www.dadeschools.net](http://www.dadeschools.net) for an official school calendar with important dates.**

**While there, also remember to log onto parent link to check on your child's grades regularly.**

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(Tear along line & have student return signed portion to teacher)

I have received the informal introduction and the class syllabus of

\_\_\_\_\_ 's Intensive math teacher for the school year 2007-2008.

(Print student's name)

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation to student: \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Student will not be allowed to use computers until this slip is signed and returned.**