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Book: Introductory Algebra, 9th Ed., by Lial, Hornsby, McGinnis

Grading Scale:  
90 - 100 = A  
87 - 89 = B+  
80 - 86 = B  
77 - 79 = C+  
70 - 76 = C  
67 - 69 = D+  
60 - 66 = D  
0 - 59 = F

Exam Dates & Weights:  
Exam 1 – Wednesday, September 22 (20%)  
Exam 2 – Monday, October 18 (20%)  
Exam 3 – Monday, November 15 (20%)  
Exam 4 – Monday, December 13 (20%)  
Final Exam – Wednesday, December 15 (20%)

Homework: Homework will not be collected and so won’t count for points, but it is absolutely essential to do the assigned homework problems, do them promptly, and do them well in order to have a realistic prospect of succeeding in this course. The exams are based on the homework, you see.

Calculator: Any scientific calculator will suffice for the purposes of this course.

Web Site: At http://www.bucks.edu/~erickson/math095/basic_alg.html there will be found occasional announcements, some helpful resources, and now and then maybe a supplementary assignment.

Attendance Policy: Attendance is not mandatory, but it comes highly recommended. In my experience, those who don't show up tend to wash out.

Withdrawal Policy: If you need to withdraw, make sure you make it official with the administration. If you simply quit coming to class the likely outcome is a big ol' F on your transcript.

Miscellaneous: Bring the textbook to class. At the beginning of class I will ask if anyone has any homework questions, so please have your questions ready before I enter the room. Please do not be shy about asking questions, because the whole point of this course is to learn the basics of algebra. I will strive to answer all questions in detail before moving on to new material.

See the college catalog for the policy regarding cheating and plagiarism. Also it’s a good idea to not throw away an exam once it’s graded and returned.