

## How to Help Your Child Succeed in Mathematics

- Make sure they are doing homework every day (including on weekends). Assignments are given at most every class meeting and should take about 20-25 minutes. I don't expect you to assist with homework, just to see that it is being done.
- Encourage your child to read the textbook and study its examples. The Algebra II book is online (see our class webpage for the link).
- Remind them to check the class website (<http://rivero.weebly.com>) for notes & to check the ShowMe site ([www.showme.com/trivero](http://www.showme.com/trivero)) for review videos.
- Help them to formulate specific questions. "I don't understand this!" is NOT a question. "Can you help me see how you found the equation in the third line?" is much more likely to garner assistance.
- When students encounter difficulty, have them attend tutorials. I am available every morning, Mentor, and most days after school. Come in before getting too far behind!
- Help them to form study groups with other serious students. Pizza can be a powerful lure to entice study-ers to your house.
- Remind your child to correct all quizzes and tests (even those on which they got an A!) It's important that they learn from their mistakes, identify misconceptions and make plans for improvement in the future.
- Communicate! Talk to your child about how they are doing and what they might do to improve. Feel free to email me with questions and concerns. I update Progress Book frequently, so be sure to check there for assignments & grades.

I work very hard to help all students master the concepts and skills of mathematics. Student success will depend on many factors, including previous math knowledge and personal motivation. With all of us (parent, child and teacher) working together, we can help to insure that your child has the very best possible learning experience this year.

Sincerely,

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