



# HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Algebra 1 is the foundation for all future math classes your child will take for both graduating from high school and preparing for college. At the end of the Algebra 1 class in May your child will take the Core 40 Algebra 1 / End of Course Assessment / Graduation Qualifying Examination for Algebra 1. This test is composed of two, one hour sessions, with both multiple choice and open ended questions that must be solved with and/or without a calculator for students to show they have mastered concepts from both first and second semester of Algebra 1. Students must pass this test to be eligible for graduation.

All math teachers and school administrators at Hamilton Southeastern High School want your child to have the best chance for success in all math classes and for passing the Core 40 Algebra 1 / End of Course Assessment / Graduation Qualifying Examination. With recommendations from the math department Dr. Milleman has purchased a workbook Passing the Indiana End-of-Course Assessment Algebra 1 for your child. It will help to reinforce the basic Algebra 1 skills and specifically address the types of problems found on the Core 40 Algebra 1 / End of Course Assessment / Graduation Qualifying Examination. Throughout this school year we will be using this workbook along with other resources to help your child review skills they have already learned in their Algebra 1 class. It will also be used to prepare students for the Core 40 Algebra 1 / End of Course Assessment / Graduation Qualifying Examination for Algebra 1 they will be taking later in May. Please be sure your child has this book brought home regularly and is using it as a resource to help them improve.

With all of the extra resources and preparation we are trying to give your child the maximum opportunity for success in both Algebra 1 and on the Core 40 Algebra 1 / End of Course Assessment / Graduation Qualifying Examination. With your assistance at home we know your child can succeed in Algebra 1. Together we can help your child be prepared for their future math classes and for the Core 40 / End of Course Assessment / Graduation Qualifying Examination. Please contact your child's math teacher by phone or e-mail with any concerns or for more ways your child can improve in Algebra 1. We thank you for you help and support from home.

Sincerely,

William Reed  
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