

Chinese Christian Schools

Honors Precalculus

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Meetings:

Time/Place: M Tu W F, Period B

Text:

Precalculus, 4th edition,  
by David Cohen. (Ch.1-12 )

Daily Supplies:

Graphing Calculator- not required;

Scientific Calculator - with trig/log function keys and their inverses;  
this calculator cannot have graphing and symbolic algebra capabilities;  
used for homework and some exams;

Spiral Bound Notebook - for daily notes; College Ruled Paper, 8 1/2" by 11";

Notebook - for filing work/handouts; 3 ringed; 2 dividers; periodic checks will be made;

Textbook

Paper - College Ruled Binder Paper , 8-1/2" x 11" ; graph paper (4 squares to the inch);

Pencils - two sharpened, No.2 regular; red colored pencil or pen for grading and highlighting graphs;

Ruler - 6" plastic is acceptable;

Graphing calculators are required for course work and the AP Exam.

However, the following restrictions will apply in this course:

1. Graphing calculators are **not allowed** on exams.  
Instead a scientific calculator without graphing and symbolic algebra capabilities is required.
2. Written homework must show all steps and calculations.  
**You may not skip steps** by using the symbolic algebra or graphing features of the calculator.  
**Copying solutions to homework problems from online sources is prohibited.**

Grading:

Quarter Grade

Homework(Problem Sets)	20%	90%-100%	A
		80%-89.9%	B
Tests/Quizzes	80%	70%-79.9%	C
		60%-69.9%	D
		0 %-59.9%	F

Semester Grade

First Quarter	40%	Second Quarter	40%	Final	20%
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The FINAL EXAM GRADE may be substituted for any single test grade during the 2 previous quarters.

Extra points are applied to the second quarter grade of the semester.

Notebook:

Label 2 dividers in a 3 ring binder as: *Homework* , *Handouts*. Order papers by date.

Notes/Homework/Tests:

- Write a complete set of notes each day in the **spiral bound notebook** .
- Use **pencil only** for all work. Begin assignments with the **following heading**.

Last, First	Date
H Precal	Homework
Ch 6.1 pg 302 (1-43 ...)	

Write your work neatly following these guidelines:

1. List the problems in order from top to bottom of the paper. Use 1 column only.
2. **Show all the work** to solve a problem.  
Multistep problems with **answers only** will **not** receive credit.
3. **Staple** papers in the upper lefthand corner. Paper clip is acceptable.
4. Use at most 1 equal sign, "=", per line. Draw horizontal (not slanted) fraction bar lines.

Unless excused, **late homework** is given at most half of the earned credit.

- There will be midchapter quizzes, chapter tests, and a semester final.