

Elementary Algebra

HIGH SCHOOL CORE AREA

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The mathematical processes provide the framework for teaching, learning, and assessing in all high school mathematics core courses. Instructional programs should be built around these processes.

Standard EA-1: The student will understand and utilize the mathematical processes of problem solving, reasoning and proof, communication, connections, and representation.

Indicators

- EA-1.1 Communicate a knowledge of algebraic relationships by using mathematical terminology appropriately.
- EA-1.2 Connect algebra with other branches of mathematics.
- EA-1.3 Apply algebraic methods to solve problems in real-world contexts.
- EA-1.4 Judge the reasonableness of mathematical solutions.
- EA-1.5 Demonstrate an understanding of algebraic relationships by using a variety of representations (including verbal, graphic, numerical, and symbolic).
- EA-1.6 Understand how algebraic relationships can be represented in concrete models, pictorial models, and diagrams.
- EA-1.7 Understand how to represent algebraic relationships by using tools such as handheld computing devices, spreadsheets, and computer algebra systems (CASs).

Standard EA-2: The student will demonstrate through the mathematical processes an understanding of the real number system and operations involving exponents, matrices, and algebraic expressions.

Indicators

- EA-2.1 Exemplify elements of the real number system (including integers, rational numbers, and irrational numbers).
- EA-2.2 Apply the laws of exponents and roots to solve problems.
- EA-2.3 Carry out a procedure to perform operations (including multiplication and division) with numbers written in scientific notation.
- EA-2.4 Use dimensional analysis to convert units of measure within a system.
- EA-2.5 Carry out a procedure using the properties of real numbers (including commutative, associative, and distributive) to simplify expressions.
- EA-2.6 Carry out a procedure to evaluate an expression by substituting a value for the variable.
- EA-2.7 Carry out a procedure (including addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division by a monomial) to simplify polynomial expressions.
- EA-2.8 Carry out a procedure to factor binomials, trinomials, and polynomials by using various techniques (including the greatest common factor, the difference between two squares, and quadratic trinomials).
- EA-2.9 Carry out a procedure to perform operations with matrices (including addition, subtraction, and scalar multiplication).
- EA-2.10 Represent applied problems by using matrices.

Standard EA-3: The student will demonstrate through the mathematical processes an understanding of relationships and functions.

Indicators

- EA-3.1 Classify a relationship as being either a function or not a function when given data as a table, set of ordered pairs, or graph.
- EA-3.2 Use function notation to represent functional relationships.
- EA-3.3 Carry out a procedure to evaluate a function for a given element in the domain.
- EA-3.4 Analyze the graph of a continuous function to determine the domain and range of the function.
- EA-3.5 Carry out a procedure to graph parent functions (including $y = x$, $y = x^2$, $y = \sqrt{x}$, $y = |x|$, and $y = \frac{1}{x}$).

- EA-3.6 Classify a variation as either direct or inverse.
- EA-3.7 Carry out a procedure to solve literal equations for a specified variable.
- EA-3.8 Apply proportional reasoning to solve problems.

Standard EA-4: The student will demonstrate through the mathematical processes an understanding of the procedures for writing and solving linear equations and inequalities.

Indicators

- EA-4.1 Carry out a procedure to write an equation of a line with a given slope and a y -intercept.
- EA-4.2 Carry out a procedure to write an equation of a line with a given slope passing through a given point.
- EA-4.3 Carry out a procedure to write an equation of a line passing through two given points.
- EA-4.4 Use a procedure to write an equation of a trend line from a given scatterplot.
- EA-4.5 Analyze a scatterplot to make predictions.
- EA-4.6 Represent linear equations in multiple forms (including point-slope, slope-intercept, and standard).
- EA-4.7 Carry out procedures to solve linear equations for one variable algebraically.
- EA-4.8 Carry out procedures to solve linear inequalities for one variable algebraically and then to graph the solution.
- EA-4.9 Carry out a procedure to solve systems of two linear equations graphically.
- EA-4.10 Carry out a procedure to solve systems of two linear equations algebraically.

Standard EA-5: The student will demonstrate through the mathematical processes an understanding of the graphs and characteristics of linear equations and inequalities.

Indicators

- EA-5.1 Carry out a procedure to graph a line when given the equation of the line.
- EA-5.2 Analyze the effects of changes in the slope, m , and the y -intercept, b , on the graph of $y = mx + b$.
- EA-5.3 Carry out a procedure to graph the line with a given slope and a y -intercept.
- EA-5.4 Carry out a procedure to graph the line with a given slope passing through a given point.
- EA-5.5 Carry out a procedure to determine the x -intercept and y -intercept of lines from data given tabularly, graphically, symbolically, and verbally.
- EA-5.6 Carry out a procedure to determine the slope of a line from data given tabularly, graphically, symbolically, and verbally.
- EA-5.7 Apply the concept of slope as a rate of change to solve problems.
- EA-5.8 Analyze the equations of two lines to determine whether the lines are perpendicular or parallel.
- EA-5.9 Analyze given information to write a linear function that models a given problem situation.
- EA-5.10 Analyze given information to determine the domain and range of a linear function in a problem situation.
- EA-5.11 Analyze given information to write a system of linear equations that models a given problem situation.
- EA-5.12 Analyze given information to write a linear inequality in one variable that models a given problem situation.

Standard EA-6: The student will demonstrate through the mathematical processes an understanding of quadratic relationships and functions.

Indicators

- EA-6.1 Analyze the effects of changing the leading coefficient a on the graph of $y = ax^2$.
- EA-6.2 Analyze the effects of changing the constant c on the graph of $y = x^2 + c$.
- EA-6.3 Analyze the graph of a quadratic function to determine its equation.
- EA-6.4 Carry out a procedure to solve quadratic equations by factoring.
- EA-6.5 Carry out a graphic procedure to approximate the solutions of quadratic equations.
- EA-6.6 Analyze given information to determine the domain of a quadratic function in a problem situation.