

# Sir Francis Drake High School

A California Gold Ribbon School



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Pirate Parents/Guardians and Students;

We want to introduce a feature to our *Algebra 1-2* course. This course, usually enrolled with freshman students, will include this feature that provides students with academic support throughout the school year. If students demonstrate they need content support, based on their grades each marking period, there will be mandatory assistance provided through our tutorial system.

All students enrolled in *Algebra 1-2* will have access to a “Remix Program” if their grades drop lower than a “C” at any grading period. The Remix program will consist of a mandatory tutorial class for students who demonstrate need. While all students at Drake are required to attend two traditional tutorials every Wednesday, students who need the support of Remix, will be assigned a specific tutorial with one teacher and mandatory attendance in those tutorial sessions. Furthermore, if students wish to receive more specialized instruction or more personalized tutoring, they may wish to attend workshops that will be offered before or after school. The student’s current Algebra teacher will provide the content needs to the Remix teacher to develop with the students during the tutorial. Once the student has mastered the identified content/skill, the Remix tutorial is no longer required.

With the Remix program, we hope to achieve the following outcomes:

- Provide students in *Algebra* with “real-time” support for students with a grade lower than a “C” to improve their grade as they move forward in the course.
- To provide tutorial support that does not interfere with their class schedule.
- Provide enriched conceptual reteaching that will benefit students when they reach the upper levels of math and science.

Students will be placed in the Algebra Remix once we have the first grade report on September 27, 2019. During our first grading period (August 22-September 27) we will be providing this support for students we have identified from the previous school year OR students we identify in the first few weeks of instruction.

All students enrolled in these courses will receive more information regarding the Remix program in their class syllabus. If a student is enrolled in the Remix program, the parents and students will be notified by their Algebra teachers. In this notice, we wanted to provide a quick overview for all parents as we move in this direction. Our goal is to provide ALL students with a successful educational experience at Drake. Our hope is the Remix program will provide additional support for students to reach their full potential! Please feel free to contact Nate Severin- Assistant Principal, Chad Stuart-Assistant Principal, Liz Seabury-Principal, or Judy King-Algebra Remix Coordinator, with any questions.

Thank you!

Liz Seabury, Principal