What to bring to class every day.
- sectioned binder (notes, assignments, tests)
- graph paper
- lined paper
- pencils with erasers and at least one colored pencil
- either a scientific (TI-30X II S) or graphing calculator* (TI-83, TI-83 plus, or TI-84 are recommended.) *We will use a scientific calc extensively, so you may want to get your own. I will have calcs in class for you to use, but I cannot check them out. *I do not suggest purchasing a graphing calculator at this time; they will be available in class.*

Class expectations: I expect that you will be nice and honest, attend class every day, be on time, and not be on your cell phone. Seem reasonable? Good.

Grading / Assessment
- We will have three or four tests for each grading period plus one additional summative test. The summative test at the end of R1 and R2 can replace the lowest test of the grading period.
- If you must be absent on a test day, you will either need to arrange to take the test in advance (if the absence was preplanned) or take it the day you return. Be sure to email to make arrangements when you are absent.
- I may collect HW every day in class or it will be turned in on the test day as a packet. This will vary, but you should be prepared to turn in homework every day and keep it all organized.
- For the R1, R2, and R3 grading periods, your grade will be calculated cumulatively as
        87.5% Tests   12.5% Assignments
- The semester grade is calculated as 70% tests, 10% assignments, and 20% final exam.
- Grades are posted on eschool plus

Help times
- In class   This is the BEST time to get help. Ask questions!
- Thursday – SMART
- lunch time – currently Monday and Wednesday – these days may change
- Other times may be available, just ask ☺

Assignments and some answer keys are posted online at www.redwood.org/kittredge

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”What's precalc going to be like?” you ask. Precalc is going to be a big jump from advanced algebra. You will learn a huge amount of math this year! Seriously, we're going to do a lot of math. Expect to study more and work harder than you have in the past. I will try to help you with study strategies. One of the best, though it may not be your favorite, is to practice your homework problems over and over again and to do extra problems that were not assigned. We will extend the algebra topics you've worked with (functions, polynomials, rationals, logarithms, conics, trig) and learn new topics including more trig, polar functions, more trig, vectors, and yes, more trig.

I am excited to get to know all of you. I hope and expect that we will have a great year of math learning together.