Course Description: This course covers products and factoring of polynomials, algebraic functions, exponents and radicals, quadratic equations, functions and graphs, applications and systems of equations. Credit in this course may not be applied toward graduation or classification of students by hours completed.


Class Attendance: The attendance policy is according to that of SHSU. Regular and punctual class attendance is expected of each student, and records will be kept of student attendance. The Texas Education Code requires that an institution of higher education excuse a student from attending classes or other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day, including travel for that purpose. A student whose absence is excused under this subsection may not be penalized for that absence and shall be allowed to make up all assignments. A student desiring to be absent from a scheduled class in order to observe religious holy days shall present to the instructor a written statement concerning the religious holy days.

Examinations and Grading Policy: The course grade will be determined by averaging the scores from 3 unit tests (accounting for 60% of the grade), quizzes (10%), participation and professionalism (5%), and the final (25%). Your lowest unit test grade will be replaced by your final exam grade if this results in an improvement of your overall grade.

Quizzes: Quizzes will be given once a week; however, only the top ten quiz grades will be calculated in your final average.

Participation and Professionalism: Each student is expected to pay attention and follow instructions. Also, students should not disrupt the class for any reason, thus cell phones should be turned off. Students are encouraged to be on time, but if a student should happen to be late, come in and take a seat as quickly as possible so that you are not a disturbance to the rest of the class. No cheating is allowed on exams. If a student is caught cheating, the penalty for cheating is a zero on that assignment or exam.

Makeup Policy: If you expect to miss a test for any excusable reason, you must contact me in advance in order to schedule a makeup test. An unexcused absence on the day of a scheduled test will result in a grade of "0" for that test and may be replaced by your
final exam grade as mentioned above.

**Withdrawal:** University policy will be followed. It is your personal responsibility to initiate and complete the drop/withdrawal process.

**Learning Disabilities:** SHSU adheres to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations for students with disabilities. If you have a disability that may affect adversely your work in this class, then I encourage you to register with the SHSU Counseling Center and to talk with me about how I can best help you. All disclosures of disabilities will be kept strictly confidential.