Studying for a Math Test

Final note:

Perseverance, time, and hard work are the most important tools needed to succeed in a math class, so keep trying and don’t give up!

- Review homework problems. Typically, test questions mirror the homework problems.

- Review notes taken during class. If the professor said it in class, it is important.

- Practice extra problems. Take time to practice the problems that are difficult for you.

- Memorize necessary formulas. Often, formulas are tools required to solve a problem, so come to the test prepared.

- Study with other students in the class. Sometimes their perspective will help you understand a concept better.

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“The essence of math is not to make simple things complicated, but to make complicated things simple.” - Gunder

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Before Class

- **READ** your textbook. You spent all of that money on it, so you should use it! Do not be discouraged if it does not make sense at first; just keep reading!

- **Review** the section of the book that will be covered in class. Knowing what the professor will be talking about in class will help you to better understand the lectures.

During Class

- **Be Prepared.** Bring a pencil, paper, and your book to class so you can follow along.

- **Mark** important concepts in your book as the professor mentions them in class.

- **Take Notes.** Professors tend to test on what is covered in class. These notes will help you prepare for your test.

- **Practice problems** with your professor as they are presented in class.

After Class

- **Review** the material that was covered in class. That way, you will know what you understand and what you need to spend more time on.

- **Complete homework.** Practice and repetition are the best ways to learn math.

- **Get help.** If, after completing your homework, there are still areas that confuse you, ask someone for help.