

# Mathematics Rocks!

Happy New Year from room 2008. I wanted the opportunity to update you with the progress in my classes.

Algebra II students finished up first semester doing well on their exam. They are currently getting back into the swing of things. We are working on factoring Quadratic equations and what that means in relationship to a graph.

Pre-Calculus is gearing up for the A.C.T. The class the will be receiving weekly review packets. Hopefully this will jog our memory on past topics that we have studied. We spent a week studying four different ways to compute the area of a triangle. We also spent time in the lab using smartboard software. The smartboard is an interactive whiteboard. I sure would like to get one for my classroom and am working on efforts to obtain that goal.

Calculus is now working on Integration. This concept has applications in Statistics, Area and Volume. The students are glad to be back from break and working math.

In Robotics, I have a new group of students. We are beginning our designs and initial code instruction. This week we will be having our Bumper Car Competition which tends to be very competitive.

Feel free to contact me with individual concerns.

Don't forget to check out the school website: [www.aledoschools.org](http://www.aledoschools.org) and the Math Department's page!

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