

Mathematics Rocks!

Happy Thanksgiving from room 208! We have a lot to be thankful for in Mathematics. I wanted the opportunity to update you with the progress in my classes.

Algebra II students are in the process of discovering Matrices and all that they apply to. We are fortunate to have a classroom set of TI 84 graphing calculators. They will do a lot of the rigorous computations for us.

Pre-Calculus is gearing up for studying the stock market. This should be an interesting evaluation with the economy being what it is. Hopefully the students will be able to evaluate companies that will allow their play money to grow. We will be using the Smartboard to look at graphs and utilize the Internet. Again, we are fortunate to have a Smartboard installed in the room.

Calculus is finishing up related rate problems. This application is a physics application of Calculus. I actually heard a student in the class say that she loves word problems. This may be a first in my teaching career. This class is having a great senior year, learning the dedication and work ethic it takes to be successful at Mathematics.

In Robotics, the class has really faced the challenges. This group has done more projects than any other robotics class. They have hit baskets, battled each other, rescued people from a building crash, and moved supplies on a loading dock. All at a Lego scale. They were even able to produce videos. We are now getting ready to learn HTML and web page building.

Feel free to contact me with individual concerns.

Don't forget to check out the school website: www.aledoschools.org and the Math Department's page!

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