

Regular vs. Pre-AP Mathematics

What is Pre-AP Mathematics?

Pre-AP math courses include Pre-AP Algebra I, Pre-AP Geometry, Pre-AP Algebra II, and Pre-AP Pre-Calculus. These courses are specifically designed to prepare the student to be successful in AP math courses, such as AP Statistics and AP Calculus.

Why take Pre-AP Mathematics?

Pre-AP math classes are more rigorous than regular math classes, but they are the right choice for students who like a challenge and who want to have the opportunity to earn college credit through AP classes while in high school. To prepare for success in AP math classes, students should take Pre-AP math classes.

	Regular	Pre-AP
Topics Covered	Covers TEKS	Covers TEKS and extra topics that are needed to prepare students for future Pre-AP and AP math classes.
Pacing	Pacing is set to cover all TEKS before the end of the year.	Pacing is faster to allow time to cover all TEKS before the end of the year and the extra topics that need to be covered.
Independent Learning	All skills are taught and reinforced in class. Review of necessary skills is built into the course.	There is no time given for review of prerequisite skills. It is assumed that students have strong math skills and strong study skills. Many of the courses also require independent learning of topics before coming to class.
Test	Reviews are similar to tests. Students are allowed to retest.	Review sheets may or may not be given for each unit test. Tests are not a reflection of the review sheet as students are often required to apply their knowledge to a new situation on the test. There are no retests.