

**MVLA
2023-24
COURSE INFORMATION SHEET**

Course Title: Financial Algebra (covered over the course of two)

School: Alta Vista High School

UC/CSU requirement: CP fulfills UC/CSU C requirements and is considered equivalent to Algebra 2.

Textbook and/or other learning resources: Financial Algebra, Gerver & Sgroi, published by Cengage Learning; NextGen Personal Finance on-line curriculum

Course Description/Student Learning Outcomes:

- Students will learn life skills such as resume writing, interviewing for a job, opening a checking/savings account, investing, buying a car and home, taxes, using a credit card, budgeting, renting an apartment all while learning the topics that are covered in Algebra 2.

Course Outline/Units of Study:

Units of study will include:

- Discretionary Expenses
- Banking Services
- Consumer Credit
- Automobile Ownership
- Employment Basics
- Income taxes
- Independent Living
- The Stock Market
- Modeling a Business
- Planning for Retirement
- Prepare a Budget

Assessment and Grading ([BP 5121](#) / [AR 5121](#)): To ensure that every student has an equal opportunity to demonstrate their learning, the course instructors implement aligned grading practices and common assessments with the same frequency.

1. Grading categories and their percentage weights:

Math Credit:

100% Standards Attainment and Knowledge Check Assessments

Elective Credit:

50% Active Program Engagement / 50% Note Taking

2. Achievement evidence collected within each grading category:

Students demonstrate mastery on multiple topics within the aforementioned domains earning passing scores of 75% or better.

3. Grading scales:

A+	100-105	C	72.5-77.49
A	92.5-99.99	C-	70-72.49
A-	90-92.49	D+	67.5-69.99
B+	87.5-89.99	D	62.5-67.49
B	82.5-87.49	D-	60-62.49
B-	80-82.49	F	0-59.99
C+	77.5-79.99		

4. Homework/outside of class practices ([AR 6154](#)):

6th period is available twice a week for help on in class assignments.

5. Excused absence make up practices ([Education Code 48205\(b\)](#)):
6. Academic integrity violation practices ([LAHS Academic Integrity Policy](#) / [MVHS Academic Integrity Policy](#)):
7. Late work practices:
There is no late work policy. We like to keep our program as flexible as possible, allowing students to work at their own pace. However, point accumulation and components of your grade are based on class progress. Should a student exhibit little to no movement in this class after repeated interventions, a class change may be in order.
8. Revision practices:
Students are given multiple opportunities per topic to demonstrate mastery with an 75% or better before an intervention loop with remediation is initiated for reteaching.
9. Extra credit practices:
If any extra credit is offered, each student will be given the opportunity to complete it..
10. Additional grading practices:
Students and parents can expect points to be updated at least once every two weeks.

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