## Abington Heights School District Calculus Curriculum



In Calculus, students develop their numeracy skills through the following areas of study:

1. Limits and Continuity
2. Derivatives
3. Applications of Derivatives
4. Analyzing Functions
5. Integrals

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## Abington Heights Math Framework

| Stakeholders | Actions |
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| Students | $\star$ Engage in mathematical discussions, share their ideas openly, be inquisitive, seek to understand and learn more about mathematical concepts, and try their best daily. <br> $\star$ Exhibit creativity and curiosity in problem solving individually and collaboratively. <br> $\star$ Persevere in engaging and challenging daily mathematical practice. <br> $\star$ Come prepared to learn every day. |
| Teachers | $\star$ Create a safe and collaborative classroom environment where students feel vested in a shared vision for mathematical excellence. <br> $\star$ Develop high quality instruction that meets the needs of all learners through differentiation. <br> $\star$ Use a variety of 21st century methodologies to advance learning. <br> $\star$ Partner with parents and guardians to support student success. <br> $\star$ Establish a collaborative community within the building and amongst grade levels to ensure a cohesive level of instruction. |
| Building Leaders | $\star$ Deeply understand the needs of teachers, students, the instructional materials being used, programs being implemented, and the expectations for state-level assessment scores <br> - Knowledgeable about program and grade level standards <br> - Ensure consistent and equal access to high-quality instructional materials and resources, building. Be partners with teachers, students and families: <br> - Provide guidance and support to the mathematical community. <br> - Understand needs of teachers, students and families. <br> $\star$ Trust the educators to make professional decisions based on program, student, and district needs. |
| Central Admin | * Effectively communicate to the school board and community specific areas of need and how to support teachers and building leaders in a quest for mathematical excellence <br> $\star$ Deeply understand the needs of teachers, students, the instructional materials being used, programs being implemented, and the expectations for state-level assessment scores <br> - Have a common metric for mathematical excellence. <br> - Ensure consistent and equal access to high-quality instructional materials and resources, district. <br> - Re-examine best practices/curriculum routinely (6 years). <br> $\star$ Support a culture of collaboration between the other stakeholder groups to maintain the standard of excellence of the Abington Heights <br> $\star$ Trust the educators to make professional decisions based on program, student, and district needs. |
| Parents/ Community | ڤ Be a strong support system and contribute by building a positive math community for students. <br> $\star$ Encourage a positive math mindset. <br> $\star$ Have conversations with their children about school and ask what they are learning about in school. <br> $\star$ Be open, receptive to the district's ideas about student learning and reach out to teachers/school to learn more about how they can support. <br> $\star$ Trust the educators to make professional decisions based on program, student, and district needs. |
| School Board | $\star$ Provide the fiscal resources to support: <br> - Highly qualified professionals for mathematics <br> - High-quality instructional materials <br> - Effective and efficient math interventions for remediation <br> - Professional development for math content and instructional practices <br> Trust the educators to make professional decisions based on program, student, and district needs. |

Calculus Scope and Sequence

| Month | Unit | Estimated Number of Weeks |
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| September | Functions | 2 |
| September - October | Limits | 2 |
| October | Definition of Derivative | 2 |
| November - December | Derivative Rules | 6 |
| December - January | Implicit \& Higher Order Differentiation | 3 |
| February | Related Rates | 3 |
| March | Logarithms \& Logarithmic Differentiation | 2 |
| March | Optimization | 2 |
| April | Curve Sketching | 3 |
| April - May | Indefinite Integration | 4 |
|  | Definite Integration \& Mean Value Theorem | 2 |
| June | Final Exam Review | 1 |


| Unit | Essential Questions | Content | Skills | Activities | Assessment / Evidence of Learning |
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| Functions | What does the notation $f(x)$ mean and how can it be manipulated? <br> How are functions added, subtracted, multiplied, divided, and composed? | Function manipulation | Compose functions <br> Factoring sum and difference of cubes <br> Interpret function notation <br> Utilize algebraic skills to add, subtract, multiply and divide functions | Function Manipulation Flip Chart 1 and 2 <br> Group Practice Set <br> Class Discussions <br> Homework sets | Group Practice Set Functions Quiz |
| Limits | What is a limit? <br> How can limits be evaluated using a graph? <br> How can limits be evaluated algebraically? | Graphical Evaluation of Limits <br> Algebraic Evaluation of Limits | Simplifying complex fractions to evaluate a limit <br> Simplifying radical expressions to evaluate a limit <br> Substituting to evaluate a limit. <br> Factoring rational expressions to evaluate a limit <br> Analyzing a graph to determine limits <br> Analyzing a graph to determine one-sided limits | Introduction to Limits Flip Chart <br> Algebraic Evaluation of Limits Flip Chart <br> Graphical Evaluation of Limits Flip Chart <br> Limits WeBWork <br> Class Discussions <br> Homework sets | Limits WeBWork Limits Quiz |


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| Definition of Derivative | What is a derivative? <br> How can one determine a derivative? <br> What is a derivative used for? <br> What is a difference quotient? What does it represent and how is this connected to the idea of a derivative? <br> Looking at a graph, what can reasonably be determined about the value of a derivative at a give x -value? | Algebraic definition of derivative <br> Conceptual definition of derivative <br> Power Rule <br> Application of derivative <br> Notation | Estimate the value of a derivative by inspecting a graph <br> Algebraically calculate the value of a derivative <br> Determine the derivative of a function using the limit of the difference quotient <br> Determine an expression for the difference quotient of a given function <br> Develop a foundational understanding of derivative notation and introductory facts | What is Calculus? Flip Chart <br> DIfference Quotient Flip Chart <br> Definition of Derivative Flip Chart <br> Basic Power Rule Flip Chart <br> Class Discussions <br> Homework sets | Definition of Derivative Quiz |
| Derivative Rules | What shortcuts exist for determining the derivative of a function? <br> How can I determine which derivative rule applies to a function? <br> What is the process for applying each of the derivative rules? | Power Rule <br> Product Rule <br> Chain Rule <br> Quotient Rule <br> Trig derivatives <br> Exponential and natural logarithm derivatives | Identify functions that have a structure which enables the application of the power/product/chain/qu otient rule. <br> Identify the derivative of trigonometric, logarithmic, and exponential function | Power Rule WeBWork <br> Product Rule WeBWork <br> Chain Rule WeBWork <br> Class Discussions <br> Homework sets | Power Rule Quiz <br> Power Rule WeBWork <br> Product Rule Quiz <br> Product Rule WeBWork <br> Chain Rule Quiz <br> Chain Rule WeBWork |


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| Derivative Rules (continued) |  |  | Apply the appropriate shortcut to determine the derivative of a function <br> Algebraically identify and determine equivalent forms of a derivative |  |  |
| Implicit \& Higher Order Differentiation | What is meant by higher order differentiation? <br> What notation is involved in higher order differentiation? <br> In what situations is implicit differentiation useful? <br> What is the process required to implicitly differentiate a function? <br> How does implicit differentiation connect to previously learned lessons? | Implicit Differentiation <br> Higher Order Differentiation <br> Notation for higher order derivatives <br> Higher Order Implicit Differentiation | Determine a higher order derivative for a given function <br> Identify problems for which implicit differentiation would be a useful technique <br> Apply to the process of implicit differentiation to determine a derivative <br> Apply the concepts of higher order differentiation to solve problems | Higher Order Differentiation Flip Chart <br> Implicit Differentiation 1 Flip Chart <br> Implicit Differentiation 2 Flip Chart <br> Higher Order \& Implicit Differentiation WeBWork <br> Class Discussions <br> Homework sets | Higher Order \& Implicit Differentiation WeBWork <br> Higher Order \& Implicit Differentiation Quiz |


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| Related Rates | What formulas or equations can be used to model a given scenario? <br> What is meant by the term "related rates"? <br> How can we use derivatives to solve related rates problems? | Related Rates circle problems <br> Related Rates square problems <br> Related Rates triangle problems <br> Related Rates cube problems <br> Related Rates sphere problems <br> Related Rates cone problems | Model a given circumstance algebraically <br> Use algebraic skills to produce an equation in only one variable <br> Identify and apply appropriate differentiation techniques based on the structure of an equation <br> Solve an equation for a unknown value | Related Rates Intro Flip Chart <br> Related Rates Circles \& Squares Flip Chart <br> Related Rates Spheres \& Cubes Flip Chart <br> Related Rates Triangles Flip Chart <br> Related Rates Cones Flip Chart <br> Related Rates WeBWorks A and B <br> Class discussions <br> Homework sets | Related Rates WebWork A <br> Related Rates Quiz A <br> Related Rates WeBWork B <br> Related Rates Quiz B |
| Logarithmic Differentiation | How do you obtain the derivative of a term with a variable exponent? <br> How can I use algebraic manipulation to simplify the process of logarithmic differentiation? | Logarithmic differentiation technique <br> Properties of logarithms | Expand logarithmic expressions <br> Condense logarithmic expression <br> Convert between logarithmic and exponential form <br> Apply the technique of logarithmic differentiation | Properties of Logarithms Flip Chart <br> Logarithmic Differentiation Flip Chart <br> Basic Logarithms WeBWork <br> Class Discussions <br> Homework sets | Basic Logarithm WeBWork <br> Basic Logarithms Quiz <br> Logarithmic Differentiation Quiz |


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| Optimization | What does it mean to obtain an optimal value? <br> How can I use calculus techniques to determine optimal values? <br> What equation can I use to model a given circumstance? | Optimization procedure | Develop an expression to model a described circumstance <br> Identify the correct differentiation technique for the expression <br> Solve an equation for its zeroes | Optimization Flip Charts <br> Optimization WeBWork A <br> Optimization WeBWork B <br> Class discussions <br> Homework sets | Optimization Quiz A <br> Optimization WeBWork A <br> Optimization Quiz B <br> Optimization WeBWork B |
| Curve Sketching | How can derivatives be used to sketch a curve? <br> What is a critical value? How is it found? <br> What are relative extrema and how are they found? <br> What are inflection points and how are they found? <br> What is concavity? How does it relate to derivatives? | Critical Values <br> Absolute Maxima/Minima <br> Relative Maxima/Minima Inflection Points Curve Sketching Curve Sketching on a restricted domain <br> Concavity | Obtain critical values of a function <br> Classify critical values and relative/absolute maxima or minima <br> Identify inflection points <br> Analyze the function to determine increasing and decreasing intervals both algebraically and graphically <br> Interpret algebraic analysis of a function and produce a sketch of the curve | Curve Sketching Intro Flip Chart <br> Max/ Min Flip Chart <br> Increasing and <br> Decreasing Intervals <br> Flip Chart <br> Inflection and Concavity Flip Chart <br> Sketching Flip Chart <br> Sketching on Closed Interval Flip Chart <br> Increasing and Decreasing Intervals Activity <br> Curve Sketching Activity | Curve Sketching Activity <br> Curve Sketching WeBWork <br> Curve Sketching Quiz |


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| Curve <br> (continued) |  |  | Curve Sketching <br> WeBWork <br> Class discussions | Homework sets |  |

## Portrait of an Abington Heights Mathematician

By the end of Calculus, students will:

| Limits and Continuity | Derivatives | Applications of Derivatives | Analyzing Functions | Integrals |
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| Estimate limits from graphs and tables Evaluate limits by algebraic manipulation Analyze graphs to determine one-sided limits | Determine the derivative of a function using the limit of the difference quotient Find derivatives of functions using the product, quotient, power, and/or chain rules Evaluate the derivatives of trigonometric, exponential, and logarithmic functions Determine a higher order derivative for a given function Apply the process of implicit differentiation | Use derivatives to solve related rates problems Use calculus-methods to determine optimal values Solve real-life optimization problems | Use derivatives to sketch a curve by obtaining critical values of a function, classifying as relative or absolute minima/maxima, identifying inflection points, and analyzing function to determine increasing and decreasing intervals | Integrate polynomials, trigonometric, exponential, and logarithmic functions Investigate properties of indefinite and definite integration Integrate with U-substitution |

