

## **Honors: Algebra I**

Algebra I is a comprehensive course that provides an in-depth exploration of key algebraic concepts. Through a "Discovery-Confirmation-Practice" based exploration of algebraic concepts, students are challenged to work toward a mastery of computational skills, to deepen their conceptual understanding of key ideas and solution strategies, and to extend their knowledge in a variety of problem-solving applications. Course topics include an Introductory Algebra review; measurement; an introduction to functions; problem solving with functions; graphing; linear equations and systems of linear equations; polynomials and factoring; and data analysis and probability. Within each Algebra I lesson, students are supplied with a post-study "Checkup" activity, providing them the opportunity to hone their computational skills in a low-stakes, 10-question problem set before moving on to a formal assessment. Additionally, many Algebra I lessons include interactive-tool-based exercises and/or math explorations to further connect lesson concepts to a variety of real-world contexts. To further assist students for whom language presents a barrier to learning, this course includes audio resources in both Spanish and English. The content is based on the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) standards and is aligned to state standards.