

Formula Sheet for College Algebra Final Exam

<p><u>Properties of Exponents</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> $a^n a^m = a^{n+m}$ $\frac{a^n}{a^m} = a^{n-m}$ $(a^n)^m = a^{nm}$ $(a^n b^m)^p = a^{np} b^{mp}$ $\left(\frac{a^n}{b^m}\right)^p = \frac{a^{np}}{b^{mp}}$ $b^{-p} = \frac{1}{b^p}$ 	<p><u>Quadratic Formula</u></p> $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ <p><u>Circle</u></p> $(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$ <p>center = (h, k)</p> <p>radius = r</p> <p><u>Vertex of Parabola</u></p> $\left(\frac{-b}{2a}, f\left(\frac{-b}{2a}\right)\right)$ $f(x) = a(x-h)^2 + k$ <p>Vertex at (h, k)</p>	<p><u>Standard Form of Equation of Parabola</u></p> $(x-h)^2 = 4p(y-k)$ <p>vertex = (h, k)</p> <p>focus = (h, k + p)</p> <p>directrix : y = k - p</p> $(y-k)^2 = 4p(x-h)$ <p>vertex = (h, k)</p> <p>focus = (h + p, k)</p> <p>directrix : x = h - p</p>
<p><u>Properties of Logarithms</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> $y = \log_b x$ iff $b^y = x$ $\log_b b = 1$ $\log_b b^p = p$ $\log_b 1 = 0$ $b^{\log_b p} = p$ 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> $\log_b m^p = p \log_b m$ $\log_b(mn)$ = $\log_b m + \log_b n$ $\log_b\left(\frac{m}{n}\right)$ = $\log_b m - \log_b n$ 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> $\log(a) = \log_{10}(a)$ $\ln(a) = \log_e(a)$ <p><u>Change of Base Formula</u></p> $\log_b x = \frac{\log_{10} x}{\log_{10} b} = \frac{\ln x}{\ln b}$
<p><u>Properties of Radicals</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> $(\sqrt[n]{b})^m = \sqrt[n]{b^m} = b^{\frac{m}{n}}$ $\sqrt[n]{a} \sqrt[n]{b} = \sqrt[n]{ab}$ $\sqrt[m]{\sqrt[n]{b}} = \sqrt[mn]{b}$ $\frac{\sqrt[n]{a}}{\sqrt[n]{b}} = \sqrt[n]{\frac{a}{b}}, b \neq 0$ 	<p><u>Absolute Value Inequalities</u></p> $ E \leq k$ iff $-k \leq E \leq k$ $ E \geq k$ iff $E \leq -k$ or $E \geq k$ <p><u>Midpoint Formula</u></p> $M = \left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right)$	<p><u>Distance Formula</u></p> $d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$ <p><u>Equations for Graphing Lines</u></p> $m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}, y = mx + b$ $y - y_1 = m(x - x_1)$
<p><u>Interest Formulas</u></p> <p><i>compound</i></p> $A = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$ <p><i>continuous</i></p> $A = Pe^{rt}$		

Remainder Theorem: For any Poly. P(x), the remainder obtained when dividing P(x) by x - r is P(r).

Rational Root Theorem: Let $P(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$, where all coefficients are

integers and n is a positive integer. If $\frac{c}{d}$ is a root of P(x) then c is a factor of a_0 and d is a factor of a_n