

June 2010

Dear students enrolled in IB Math SL,

We hope you have a wonderful summer vacation. You worked very hard this year and deserve a great summer! When you come back to ASD in August, you will be embarking on what can be very enriching two years of your education. You will benefit greatly from spending a little time this summer reviewing Algebra II. Most students' difficulties in learning higher mathematics (and IB SL level math is quite a high level!) are founded in algebra, the better you are at algebra, the easier the following two years will be.

In order to make sure each student is placed in the best course for them, we will have a test within the first month of school next year. The test will be very closely modeled on the review problems; and the review problems represent the basic skills, concepts and techniques learned last year in Algebra II. In order to remain in the course and subsequently be successful in IB Math SL, you must be very comfortable with these topics and receive a B or higher on the test.

We want to reassure you that no one is expected to learn new material this summer. Please check the ASD website for a review packet on July 1st. Complete the review packet as instructed in the packet. Reviewing material in this way will pave the way for an easier introduction to IB Math SL in August.

The Math Department wishes you a happy summer vacation. We look forward to seeing everyone back in August to begin a successful year of mathematics. Any questions about the IB Math SL course, the review packet and test or related subjects can be directed to the Chair of the Mathematics Department, Ms. Umut Gürsel. (ugusel@asd.edu.qa)

Sincerely,

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