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Dear Parents/Guardians

Beginning with the 2006-2007 ninth grade class, state graduation requirements include at least four (4) mathematics credits; one must be Algebra I. Your child can receive this Algebra I credit in two ways. The student may take the traditional Algebra I course **or** the student can take a combination of two courses called Algebra I and Algebra Support. The Algebra Support program teaches the Algebra objectives through lab activities along with the Algebra I class.

Putnam County has implemented a policy regarding Algebra I. The policy states that the student must score at least 75% (cannot miss more than 10 questions) on the Algebra Exit Exam in order to receive credit for the course. A student must take this exam as part of Algebra I.

The Algebra I Exit Exam will be given at the end of the class. This test will be a multiple choice test on the State Content Standards and Objectives for Algebra I. All Algebra students will be given practice tests on the identified objectives throughout the course. If a student fails the exit exam, the teacher will make provisions for the student to retake the test in a timely fashion. The student may retake the test two times.

Included with this letter you will find a suggested course outline of objectives, the State Algebra I Content Standards and Objectives, and a sample of the Algebra I Exit Exam. Please contact the chairperson of the math department in your school if you have questions about policy or procedures.

Sincerely

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Enclosures

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