

## **Algebra**

Is Algebra a subject everyone needs to know? Argue yes or no in an essay designed to convince your reader of your position.

Your goal is to take a single position and offer compelling rationale for it with the intention of getting your reader to agree with you. You have 2 pages to do this (ie, your paper must be at least 1 ¾ pages, but no more than 3 pages). You might check out

[https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/general\\_writing/common\\_writing\\_assignments/argument\\_papers/index.html](https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/general_writing/common_writing_assignments/argument_papers/index.html)

for some ideas on how to write a strong paper. In addition, pay attention to the technical parts of writing. Be sure to write in complete sentences while avoiding run-on sentences. Be sure that your paragraphs have topic sentences, and that your paragraphs flow together to make a coherent essay.

### **Guidelines for Papers**

Papers should be double-spaced, and have no more than a 1-inch margin on any side (including top/bottom). They should have one line of heading, with the title of the essay aligned on the left, and your name aligned on the right. For citations and bibliographies throughout the term, MLA style should be used.