Note to my students taking this online class:

- Although this is an online class, to be successful you must work on the class material, particularly the homework assignments every week. Plan to spend at least 5-7 hours per week on this class. More time will be needed for complete mastery of the material.
- There are many ways to get help with the homework assignments
  - o If you get stuck on a question, click on Question Help. Then you can View an Example similar to the question where the worked-out solution is given, and you can apply the strategies there to solve your problem and put in the final answer. Or you can click on Help Me Solve This to walk through all the steps of the solution and fill in the blank at every step.
  - o If you use the Question Help function, when you are done with the online question, write down the question in your notebook, and at the end go back and solve the question on your own without help. This will help you internalize the method of solving that question.
  - Use only a NON-GRAPHING, scientific calculator like the TI-30IIX when you work on your homework, because that is the type of calculator you will get when you take the test at a testing center.
  - All tests are proctored paper-pencil-test and you must take them at a Lone Star College testing center or a testing center approved by me.
  - O Note that you can start taking the tests starting with the third week of class, but you must take them by the deadline in the calendar below. You will not be allowed to take a test after the deadline for that test. This is absolutely non-negotiable and there will be no exceptions to this.
- The schedule below is my recommendation for study, which I strongly suggest you follow. It tells you what sections and which objectives in each section that you should study each week. It also contains all test deadlines and the sections each test covers.
- You cannot do well on the tests by cramming or simply watching the videos the night before. Mathematics, just like swimming, playing tennis or body building, requires constant efforts and practices. You cannot expect to get a six-pack the next day by going to the gym for the whole night the night before. Similarly, you cannot expect to get a good grade on the test by studying the night before.
- Guided notes and supplementary videos will be posted on the class website and are helpful to understand the material and solve the homework problems. Make use of them.
- If at any time you need help or advice, I am an email away. Email me at <a href="mailto:vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu">vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu</a> and I will do my best to get you unstuck and move forward with the material.
- Exercise self-discipline, be patient, be perseverant, read the eBook sections, watch the videos, work hard on the homework problems and you will be successful.

Math 1314 Online – Spring 2019 – Course Calendar			
Week 1 1/14 – 1/20	Syllabus and Class Information	Relations and Functions	
Week 2 1/21 - 1/27	Interpreting Graphs		
Week 3 1/28 – 2/3	Graphs of Equations	Quadratic Equations	
Week 4 2/4 – 2/10	Miscellaneous Equations	Review Exam 1	
Week 5 2/11-2/17	The final deadline to take Exam 1 is Saturday, February 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2019. Exam 1 covers the topics up to Miscellaneous Equations.  Quiz 1, Homework 1 through Homework 5 are due by the end of day on 2/16.  Extra credit is due via email to <a href="mailto:vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu">vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu</a> by end of day on 2/16.		
	Linear Functions		
Week 6 2/18 – 2/24	Transformations of Functions	Piecewise Defined Functions	
Week 7 2/25 – 3/3	Quadratic Functions	Graphs of Higher Degree Polynomial Functions	
	Review Exam 2		
Week 8 3/4 – 3/10	The final deadline to take Exam 2 is Saturday, March 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2019. Exam 2 covers the topics from Linear Functions to Graphs of Higher Degree Polynomial Functions. (Some LSC testing centers may be closed early for the Spring Break).  Quiz 2, Homework 6 through Homework 10 are due by the end of day on 3/9 Extra credit is due via email to <a href="mailto:vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu">vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu</a> by end of day on 3/9		
	Spring Break	Spring Break	
Week 9 3/18 – 3/24	Midpoint, Distance and Circles	Synthetic Division	
Week 10 3/25 – 3/31	Factor and Remainder Theorem	Zeros of Polynomial Functions	
Week 11 4/1 – 4/7	Rational Functions	Review Exam 3	
Week 12 4/8 – 4/14	The final deadline to take Exam 3 is Saturday, April 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2019. Exam 3 covers the topics from Midpoint, Distance and Circles to Rational Functions.  Quiz 3, Homework 11 through Homework 15 are due by the end of day on 4/13 Extra credit is due via email to vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu by end of day on 4/13		

	Polynomial and Rational Inequalities	
Week 13 4/15 – 4/21	Domain of a function	Operations and Inverse Functions
Week 14 4/22 – 4/28	Exponential and Logarithmic Functions	Properties of Logarithms
Week 15 4/29 – 5/5	Exponential and Log Equations	Review Final Exam
Final	The final deadline to take the Final Exam is on Wednesday, May 8 <sup>th</sup> . The final exam is COMPREHENSIVE with a focus on the topics after Exam 3. However, it does not include topics from Matrices (HW21).  Quiz 5, HW 16 through 21 are due by the end of day on 5/8.  Extra credit is due via email to <a href="mailto:vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu">vinh.x.dang@lonestar.edu</a> by end of day on 5/8	

It is your responsibility to check the hours of operations of the LSC testing center that you plan to take the tests at and make corresponding arrangement for your test taking.