

Connecticut Common Core State Standards Algebra I Curriculum

Tips for Teachers from Teachers

For You:

- Collaborate (even if it's with another district).
- Plan one unit ahead at all times. Be sure to work the problems yourself.
- Be clear with students about your expectations.
- Develop a method to call the class to attention.
- Encourage & support group work.
- Embrace the noise (it's learning!).
- Check websites on school computers to make sure they are working.
- Search YouTube for appropriate video material.

For You and your students:

- Use as many manipulatives as you can to engage the students in modeling mathematics and building conceptual understanding.
- Use technology as appropriate. (We highly recommend that you practice with technology before using it in class!)
- Develop an organizational system to keep track of your materials. Consider a separate notebook for each unit.
- Bring a set of papers to grade while you make copies for the week.
- Be prepared to be amazed at how well students learn!