



SETON HOME STUDY SCHOOL
SAXON ADVANCED MATH I & II

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Introduction

The Saxon math program has two important aspects. It uses incremental development and continuous practice. Incremental development refers to the division of concepts into small, easy to understand pieces that are taught over several lessons. Thus a major concept is not taught in one lesson, but rather developed over time. The student is not expected to completely understand a concept the first time it is taught. Continuous practice means that fundamental skills and concepts are practiced and reviewed throughout the year.

Advanced Math I & II is a two-year course. The student may advance in this course as far as he wishes. For each two quarters successfully completed, the student earns 1/2 credit.

Study Tips

Class periods are recommended to be about 50 minutes per day. Proceed **in order** from the first lesson to the last; do not skip around. Saxon strongly recommends that the student do all of the problems in each lesson set because the course is cumulative, meaning that each lesson will include material from the previous lessons. If the student has demonstrated complete **mastery** of some of the problem types, however, then the student may choose to skip them. This should be done with caution as the problems will appear on all tests all year. Any homework problems done incorrectly should be corrected. If necessary, the student should go back and review or obtain some help if homework or test grades start slipping.

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If you have trouble understanding a concept, put your math work away for a while and come back to it later that same day or the next day. If you still do not understand it, ask your parent-teacher or call a Seton academic counselor for help. Do not allow yourself to become frustrated—just ask for help. A Seton counselor is just a phone call away.

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