HOW TO SUCCEED IN MATH...by really trying!

Test Preparation begins with the first class

- Preparing for each class by pre-reading the textbook
- Attending every class (come with necessary materials, take organized, meaningful notes, participate, ask questions)
- Completing all homework (read textbook, review notes, complete all exercises/problems, check answers and correct errors)
- Using resources for help early (meet with instructor outside of class, work with a study group, work with a tutor, use course-related video/computer resources)

If you must miss a class, communicate with your instructor.

Make sure you have notes from the missed class before your next class meeting, and that you have completed all assignments. (Get notes from a classmate or your instructor. Have contact information [phone number/e-mail address] for at least one classmate. You can take notes while reading the textbook, but find out what you missed by not being in class.)

Schedule time for completing homework assignments.

Most students retain information better by working/studying for several short sessions rather than one long session.

Re-read the syllabus packet your instructor gave you.

Make sure you understand the course requirements and your instructor's policies about grades, assignments, attendance, etc.

Review graded work

Analyze what you did correctly and what errors you made. Develop a strategy that will help you learn from your mistakes.

Register for your next mathematics course as soon as possible.

Students who take sequential courses without skipping a semester usually have greater success than those who skip a semester (or more). Registering early will help insure your enrollment in the class you want when you want it. Meet with an advisor to be sure you are taking the math courses you need for your specific program requirements and transfer plans.

On the 10,000th try there was light.

Optimism Pass It On.

Thomas Edison