

ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD'S MATH LEARNING AT HOME

Dear Parent,

Your child has been enrolled in *ALEKS®*, an online learning program for mathematics. With easy online access on iPads, tablets, and computers, your student can use the program while at school and at home. I invite you to be a part of your student's learning experience by encouraging the use of *ALEKS* at home.

What is ALEKS?

ALEKS is an adaptive math program that provides each student with a personalized learning path. Using engaging answer tools, immediate feedback, and automatic assessments, *ALEKS* helps students review and master the skills needed to be successful in their math class.

By now, your student has taken an initial assessment (called "Initial Knowledge Check"). This initial assessment has determined what they already know and don't know in the course I have enrolled them in and what topics they are ready to start learning. You can have them log in to *ALEKS* at home by visiting <u>www.aleks.com</u>.

Below is your child's login information:

Course Name: Username: Password:

Here's what you'll see when your student logs into the program:

ALEKS Pie: The Pie provides a snapshot of your student's current progress in the course. The dark portion is what your student has already learned, while the light grey portion is what they have left to learn. Your student will click on a Pie slice to see the number of topics they have mastered and what topics they are ready for next.

ALEKS Timeline: The Timeline provides a snapshot of your student's progress toward learning goals. To continue learning, your student will click on "Continue My Path".

Language Toggle: Your student can toggle between English and Spanish translations of the content and interface with the click of a button. To enable this option, click "Settings" under the "Hi!" menu.

Worksheet: Clicking on the "Worksheet" button will generate a personalized worksheet that your student can print out for offline practice. This is found under the Main Menu icon (\equiv).

Finally, here are some **tips** for making the most out of the at-home learning experience:

- Make sure your child has paper and pencil available to work out a problem. Do not allow them to use a calculator unless it is provided within the program for a specific problem or I have given permission. Please feel free to check with me!
- 2. Please discourage your student from using external help, such as the Internet or a family member providing them with answers. They will get the most benefit from working through the problems on their own!
- 3. Don't forget that tools are available in the program to help your student! Tools include:
 - A Dictionary of math terms and concepts found under the Main Menu icon.
 - An "Explanation" button providing step-by-step instructions for solving a problem
- 4. Set a regular work schedule. I suggest:
 - Hours Per Week:
 - Number of Days Per Week:
- 5. Motivate your child to work even harder by offering simple rewards, such as a piece of pie for completing a slice of their *ALEKS* Pie!
- 6. For technical assistance, please contact ALEKS Customer Support:
 - Hours (Eastern Time): Sunday: 4:00 PM–1:00 AM Monday–Thursday: 7:00 AM–1:00 AM Friday: 7:00 AM–9:00 PM
 - Contact: <u>http://support.aleks.com</u>

Thank you for being a part of your child's learning in *ALEKS*. I appreciate your support to ensure your child uses some time at home to further their progress and to be prepared for the next classroom lesson. Together, we can help your child achieve dramatic learning outcomes in math!

Sincerely,



