

*Maths*

Dear Algebra 1,

After ten months of grueling work, I must leave you. I am not cut out for this type of work. You taught me much, but next year I will be taking Geometry, so you are pretty much useless to me. I know that you will survive and live to battle future Freshmen as you did with me. You were tough, but my teacher showed me your tricks. While I hope to never see you again, I now know how to beat you the next time we cross paths.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie, Freshman

Dear Geometry,

My teacher thought I was rather good with you; I never saw it. While you are not like Algebra 1, I do not find you interesting. I will admit that you are the one form of Math that I might use later in life, so thank you for teaching me. You are all shapes and little substance, which is why I am writing to you. You are acute thing Geometry and have given me many laughs as my teacher has tried and failed to draw a proper hexagon. I will let you know if I need your help in the future, but in the meantime respectfully back off.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie, Sophomore

Dear Math Models & Applications (M.M.A.),

I would rather have taken Mixed Martial Arts. I could not care less about you. I don't even know why I was assigned to you. Most of the kids in my class were taking Algebra 2, while I was taking... you! I think I have made my feeling very clear later in the year when I stopped coming to class. My teacher didn't mind, so you shouldn't have either. You just couldn't pick a math and decided to throw it all at me. Not cool M.M.A. Well, the joke is on you, because I remember nothing. You were a nice vacation before my Senior year.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie, Junior

Dear Algebra 2,

We meet again. Something was telling me that I would not see the last of you old Nemesis. I thought I had learned all your tricks, but you had changed, and I had to start from square one again. What did I not learn the first go-around that necessitates a second class? Are you really this complex? Well, I saved my notes from the first time, and I found them quite useful to defend myself from your attacks. You can't touch me now, and I am going on to my final battle.

Sincerely,

Mackenzie, Senior

Dear College Algebra:

I was given a gift when I was able to take College Algebra parts 1 and 2 combined. You were a lot, I will admit, and I couldn't handle the almost three-hour class. I could barely handle the 45 minutes in high school. Now I am done, done forever. I no longer need your mix of numbers and letters and symbols taking up space in my brain. I am an English major, and math has no place in my life.

Mackenzie McAnear, College Student

P.S. I will no longer help you find your  $x$ . Grow up and stop asking  $y$ . I have.