Dear Students and Families,

Greetings and welcome! My name is Ms. Fonseca, and I am the 9th grade Intermediate Mathematics I (Algebra I) teacher at STEM Innovation Academy of the Oranges. I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits!

Algebra I is a fundamental course that lays the groundwork for advanced mathematical concepts. My goal is to provide a supportive and engaging learning environment where students can develop critical problem-solving skills, enhance their mathematical reasoning abilities, and gain confidence in forming mathematical conjectures. Through interactive lessons, hands-on activities, and collaborative projects, I am aiming to alleviate any math anxiety, and make Algebra I not only comprehensible, but also enjoyable.

To be successful in this class, you will need a 2 inch binder with reinforced loose leaf lined paper, 1 folder, and erasable pens and pencils. You should bring your binder to class everyday, along with your charged Chromebook.

Communication between school, home, and students plays a crucial role in academic success. I highly encourage parents and guardians to maintain an open line of communication with me. Should you have any questions, concerns, or feedback, please feel free to reach out to me by email at fonsecch@orange.k12.nj.us or on Remind.

I am truly excited to embark on this educational journey with you! Together, we will explore the world of algebra, unravel its mysteries, and empower each student with the skills they need to succeed not only in this course, but also in future mathematical endeavors.

Once again, welcome to Algebra I at STEM! I look forward to meeting you and your student(s), and am confident that this academic year will be filled with growth, learning, and memorable experiences.

Sincerely, Ms. Fonseco

