Hello and welcome students!

I am, Christina Hughes Martin, your math professor this semester. For the next 16 weeks, we will be working together to refine and perfect your algebra skills. However, first let me begin the class by telling you a little about myself.

I have been teaching community college mathematics full-time for over two decades, and I love it!!!! Although not a desert native, I have been a resident of Las Vegas for 20 years. Originally from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, I make frequent trips to the East Coast where my relatives still reside. As for education, I received my Bachelors degree from Bryn Mawr College, a seven-sister college located outside Philadelphia. (Interesting Fact 1: Mayor Carolyn Goodman is also a Bryn Mawr alumna. 😊) During my junior undergraduate year, I had the wonderful opportunity to study abroad at Oxford University in England. (It was one of the most educational and memorable years of my life!) Upon completion of my undergraduate degree, I moved out west and obtained my master’s degree in mathematics from the University of California at Santa Barbara where I worked with Topologist and Knot Theorist, Ken Millett.

I have been blessed with three children (Interesting Fact 2: My beautiful middle child was adopted from birth, and my eldest son is in his freshman year at college in PA). Like most parents would concur, I couldn’t imagine life without my children! I am married to a wonderful and inspiring man, who also teaches math! (Interesting Fact 3: Being true math nerds, our wedding anniversary is “pi day”. 😊) In the little free time that I have, I enjoy walking, hiking, and all types of athletic activities. My favorite escape is Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area, with Snow Canyon State Park, Valley of Fire, Bryce Canyon, and Zion National Park following right behind!

I am very eager to be instructing you this semester. In order to succeed, you can expect to spend time every day working on your math. Please do seek help whenever you need and visit one of the campus Math Resource Centers. Above all, contact me whenever you have questions or feel lost. I am here to help in anyway that I can. Study hard! I wish you an abundance of success this semester!

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