Top 10 Study Strategies
1. Go to class
2. Get to class on time
3. Listen during class
4. Take good notes
5. Ask and listen to others’ questions
6. Review notes after class
7. Use your resources
8. Work problems - lots of them
9. Make notecards with formulas
10. If you need help, ask!

Top 10 Math Strategies
1. Find two great study spaces that work for you
2. Study at times of the day when you are focused and energetic
3. Study for an hour – take a break – repeat!
4. Tackle your least favorite subject or assignment first
5. Daily review – the day’s notes (30 min/class) all material since last exam (10 min/class)
6. Sign up for free drop in SmartyCats Tutoring and/or do homework in a learning lab
7. Separate work from pleasure – study during study time
8. Study by yourself vs. study with a friend – do what’s best for the task at hand
9. Visit www.khanacademy.org - free, concise videos on every topic under the sun
10. Create a test or flashcards to assess your knowledge

Math is not a spectator sport!
You must show up, study, and do problems!

Trouble with math?
Persevere and do your best!
You won’t understand everything instantly. Keep trying!

Practicing, practice, practice!

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Solving Math Problems
1. Read the problem carefully
2. Read the problem again
3. Clearly write down what you’re supposed to find
4. Clearly write down all of the information you’ve been given
5. Draw a diagram and label what you know and what you need to find
6. Devise a plan-what you’re going to need to work the problem
7. If you don’t know how to work the problem, work similar problems that are simpler
8. Work the plan- use your plan to get the answer
9. Check your solution
10. Go back over the problem

Habits of a “10” Student
1. Attends Every Class
2. Talks to Instructors
3. Manages Time Effectively
4. Takes Quality Notes
5. Daily Review of Notes
6. Knows and Uses Resources
7. Has Clear Goals
8. Manages Finances
9. Eats Well and Exercises
10. Gets Involved