Conceptual Algebra Scope & Sequence

Days May Vary	Unit	Essential Unit Outcomes	Essential/Guiding Questions
12-14	Unit 1: Solving Equations & Inequalities in One Variable	 Solve equations that have one solution, no solution, and infinite solutions. Solve all types of first-degree equations and inequalities with one variable. Solve equations and inequalities in real-world applications. 	 What does it mean to solve an equation? When can equations be applied to real-world situations? How do you know when an equation has one solution, no solutions, or infinite solutions? How do you know when a situation requires an inequality?
13-15	Unit 2: Linear Equations	 Calculate the slope as rise over run and apply it to real-life situations using rate of change. Graph linear equations on the coordinate plane. Write equations in the form y = mx + b given critical information. Write linear equations to model real-world situations. 	 How do the various forms of a linear equation relate to each other? How does the symbolic form relate to the numeric and verbal forms of linear equations?

7-10	Unit 3: Inequalities	 Solve and graph the solution set to one-variable inequalities. Graph linear inequalities and applications. 	 How does the graphic form relate to the numeric, symbolic, and verbal forms of linear equations? What is How does a graph of an inequality relate to its symbolic form?
11-13	Unit 4: Systems of Linear Equations	 Solve systems of linear equations by graphing, substitution, and linear combination. Identify systems as the same line, parallel lines, or intersecting lines. Use systems of linear equations to solve problems. 	 How can you determine which method of solving a linear system to use? What is the relationship between the graphic, symbolic, numeric, and verbal representations of the solution to a system? How do you solve word problems with systems?
10-12	Unit 5: Exponents & Polynomials	 Use the properties of exponents to simplify monomial expressions. Identify the key parts of polynomials. Perform basic operations with polynomials. Use polynomials in applications involving geometry. 	 How are the properties of exponents used to simplify expressions? What vocabulary is used to describe polynomials? How can polynomials be used to represent measures of geometric figures?

9-11	Unit 6: Introduction to Factoring	 Factor by finding a greatest common factor. Factor trinomials. Factor using various factor patterns and grouping. Use the best method to factor a polynomial completely. 	 What does it mean to factor a polynomial? What are the various methods used to factor a polynomial? How do you completely factor a polynomial?
8-10	Unit 7: Introduction to Exponential & Quadratic Models	 Describe exponential and quadratic functions using tables and graphs. Compare linear, exponential, and quadratic functions. 	 What are the key characteristics of exponential and quadratic functions? How do you distinguish between linear, exponential, and quadratic functions?