Course Name	Algebraic Problem Solving I, Math 0930 Section 53
CRN	71013
Description	First of a two-course series in elementary algebra. Topics include signed numbers, solving linear equations, formulas, graphing, and applications. Course satisfies prerequisite for MATH 0940, MATH 1110, and MATH 1210.
Prerequisites	MATH 0750 or equivalent skills as demonstrated by placement exam.
Start and End Dates	Starts: August 31st, 2009 Ends: December 12th, 2009
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Email	darryld@cnm.edu The instructor will be on break and unavailable from **August 8th through 30th.** However, additional information about what skills are needed for passing an online math class can be found by checking the website http://home.comcast.net/~darryldomonkos/ .
Required face-to-face meetings including but not limited to: Proctored exams, on campus presentations; orientations; midterm exams; final exams, etc.	None. All parts of this class including quizzes and exams will be online. The one exception is the graphing exam which will be made available to the student as a pdf file (by a link on the course page for downloading). The student will be expected to return the completed exam as an attachment by email.
Required Texts	*The following textbook for this course is:* ***Math 0930 Algebraic Problem Solving I, Introductory Algebra for College Students***, Custom Edition for CNM, 1st Edition, Robert Blitzer, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2009 *It is highly recommended that all Distance Learning students purchase the Student Solution Manual for this textbook and a scientific calculator with [a b/c] (fraction) key.*
Software Requirements: software student must purchase for this course.	Students will not have to purchase any software for this course. However, there are several required free programs which the student will need to download. Students need updated free versions of Adobe Reader (not the program called Acrobat), Flash, and Java. Any additional free software requirements will be announced in class.
Recommended connection speed (Dial up, DSL, or High speed)	It is highly recommended that students have DSL or cable internet access.

Additional requirements for this course	Students must have access to an operating system equivalent to Windows 98 and web browsing software. In addition, when registering for a Blackboard (Bb) account, students need to click on "Check Browser" to make sure they have the appropriate versions of Java and Flash.
Online Information and time commitment	Many people wrongly assume that online classes are easier than traditional classes. The opposite is probably true. You must be highly motivated and self-disciplined to successfully complete the course. Students are required to log on to Bb a minimum of **3 days,** not times**,** each week. Students should expect to spend a minimum of 8 hours each week completing course requirements. Abilities you will need to be successful in an online course: ✓ To **read** carefully and completely; ✓ To follow directions; ✓ To meet deadlines and manage your time; ✓ To apply good computer skills. Check my website http://home.comcast.net/~darryldomonkos/ for some suggestions on How to Pass an Online Math Class.
Additional instructions for registered students	Before the course opens, students who are interested in getting started should beginning working the odd problems in Chapter 1, section 1. **All students** must log into the course **between August 31st and September 5th, 2009.** Go to http://www.cnm.edu/depts/dl/StudentTutorials.php to learn how to use Blackboard. Once you can access the course through Bb, you are responsible for reading all information on the homepage (content page) and completing Module 1 and Module 2. Students who have not completed these requirements by **Sunday, September 13th will be dropped** from the course.
DL Tutorials	**Students are expected to watch the following tutorials before or during the first week of class:** http://www.cnm.edu/depts/dl/StudentTutorials.php