# 10 Tips for Making Math Your Friend!

1. **Backwards Calendaring**
   - Read over the syllabus and add all important due dates to a calendar (Homework, Exams, Projects, etc.) Set due dates earlier than the original date.

2. **Format Your Note Taking**
   - Always include the date, topic, vocabulary, formulas and practice problems. Make sure you are writing clearly and in a system. Staying organized is important for studying.

3. **Get to Know the ALEKS Platform**
   - Make sure you take the time to do the tutorials using the ALEKS platform. There are great resources there to help you.

4. **Visit a Tutoring Center**
   - These are your peers who know the content best - utilize their knowledge to support your learning!

5. **Attend Peer-Lead Exam Prep Sessions**
   - Attending math exam prep sessions is a great way to get additional practice and asks questions prior to an exam.

6. **Use a Grade Calculator**
   - Every course has the assignments and exams weighted. Using a grade calculator can help you figure out what you need to get in order to receive your desired grade.

7. **Communicate with Your Professor**
   - Attending class is important, if you have to miss make sure you communicate with your professor. In addition use their office hours!

8. **Read Your Emails**
   - It’s important to read emails. Professors communicate (via blackboard/canvas) important information along with special events are communicated by the tutoring centers.

9. **Do Homework When You Are Alert**
   - This is important for retaining info, however it is also important to chunk things out and do a little every day.

10. **Practice, Practice, Practice**
    - The more you practice the more confident you will become with the content.