

## Calculators for VIP students

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*I pasted the information from Judy Terry's website below. This is information about calculators that you may want to distribute to parents of your VIP students. Hope this helps!*

**Below are two recommendations with associated pros and cons. These recommendations will get your student the most bang for the buck, but are in no way the only available calculators for use in school.**

### ***TI-84 Plus (calculators provided in class)***

- Uses four AAA batteries
- Permissible calculator for the Algebra I state test
- Most commonly used calculator for ACT
- Includes graphing, scientific, and many other useful functions
- Is allowed for use in all high school math courses
- Is *not* generally allowed for use in College Algebra courses, including dual credit courses taken while in high school
- Is permitted in other college math courses, at the instructor's discretion
- Cost ranges \$88 and up (Walmart, Amazon, Office Depot, etc.)
- ***TI-84 Plus CE (not provided by the school)***
  - The color edition
  - Graphing functions are displayed in full-color format
  - Rechargeable battery
  - Cost ranges \$118 and up (Walmart, Amazon, Office Depot, etc.)

### ***TI 36X Pro (not provided by the school)***

- Has an internal battery
- ***NOT*** permissible for the Algebra I state test
- Permissible for ACT
- Includes scientific and *most* of functions of TI-84 EXCEPT graphing functions
  - TI 36X Pro DOES NOT graph
- Is generally allowed for use in College Algebra courses, including dual credit courses taken while in high school

- Does not mimic the TI-84
- Is permitted in other college math courses, at the instructor's discretion
- Cost ranges \$19 and up (Walmart, Amazon, Office Depot, etc.)

### **WabbitEmu App**

- *NOT* permissible for the Algebra I state test or ACT
- App for Android phones or Software for Windows (Vista, 7, 8, 10) 64-bit
- *NOT* compatible with Apple products
- Mimics TI-84 Calculators
- FREE

### **Calculate84 App**

- *NOT* permissible for the Algebra I state test or ACT
- App for Android or Apple phones
- Limited access to calculator functions
- Mimics TI-84 Calculators
- FREE (for now, according to developers)

### **TI-83 Plus Computer Software**

- *NOT* permissible for the Algebra I state test or ACT
- Windows or Mac compatible
- Free trial for 90 days (<http://ti-enevs-education.ti.com/84CE-SmartView-90-day-trial>)

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