Lesson Outline

Big Picture

Students will:

- identify and use key features of rational functions;
- solve problems using a variety of tools and strategies related to rational functions;
- determine and interpret average and instantaneous rates of change for rational functions.

Day	Lesson Title	Math Learning Goals	Expectations
1–3	(lessons not included)	 Investigate and summarize the key features (e.g. zeros, end behaviour, horizontal and vertical asymptotes, domain and range, increasing/decreasing behaviour) of rational functions, and make connection between the graphical and algebraic representations. Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the degrees of numerator and the denominator and the asymptotes. Sketch the graph of rational functions using its key features. 	C2.1, 2.2, 2.3
4	(lesson not included)	 Solve problems graphically and algebraically involving applications of polynomial and simple rational functions and equations. Solve simple rational equations algebraically and verify using technology. Use properties of simple rational functions to fit a rational function to a graph or a given set of conditions. Make connections between the <i>x</i>-intercepts of a simple rational function and the real roots of the corresponding function. 	C3.5, 3.6, 3.7
5	(lesson not included)	 Solve problems involving average and instantaneous rates of change at a point using numerical and graphical methods. Investigate average rates of change near horizontal and vertical asymptotes. 	D1.1–1.8
6	Jazz Day		
7	Summative Assessment		