Accel Precalc Unit #2: Algebra Top Lesson #3: Ellipse	Notes: Ellipses ics	(Part 1)	Name _	
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<u>Ellipse</u> the set of	all points ii	n a plane si	Jch	d_1 d_2
that the of t	he		_from	Focus Focus
P to two fixed points	, and	called	1	$d_1 + d_2$ is constant.
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An ellipse has	axes of syr	nmetry. Tł	ne	
is the longer and the		i	s the sho	rter. The endpoints of
the major axis are th	e	Th	e endpoin	ts of the minor axis
are called the		The		are always on the
major axis. The point	of intersection of	of the maj	or and mi	nor axis is called the

Standard Equation of an Ellipse:

	$\frac{(x-h)^2}{a^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{b^2} = 1$ $\underbrace{\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} (x-h)^2 \\ \hline \\ \\ \hline \\ \\ \end{array}}_{\text{minor axis}} \\ \underbrace{\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\$	$\frac{(x-h)^2}{b^2} + \frac{(y-k)^2}{a^2} = 1$
Center		

Major Axis	
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Vertex	
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Ex. 1 Write the standard equation for an ellipse with	۰ ۱۰	•	•	•	•	•	6	- • - •	 •••	•	•	•
foci at $(0, \pm 4)$ and with a minor axis of 6. Sketch the	•	•	•	•	•	•	4	- •	 •••	•	•	•
graph.	•	•	•	•	•	•	2	· •	 •••	•	•	•
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Ex. 2 Mars orbits the Sun in an elliptical path whose minimum distance from the Sun is 129.5 million miles and whose maximum distance from the Sun is 154.4 million miles. The Sun represents one focus of the ellipse. Write the standard equation for the elliptical orbit of Mars around the Sun, where the center of the ellipse is at the origin.





2. State the standard equation for the ellipse graphed at the right.



- Write the standard equation for an ellipse with foci at (-12,0) and (12,0) and with a major axis of 26. Sketch the graph.

4. Write the standard equation for an ellipse with its center at (-1, -2) and with a vertical major axis of 8 and minor axis of 4. Sketch the graph.

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