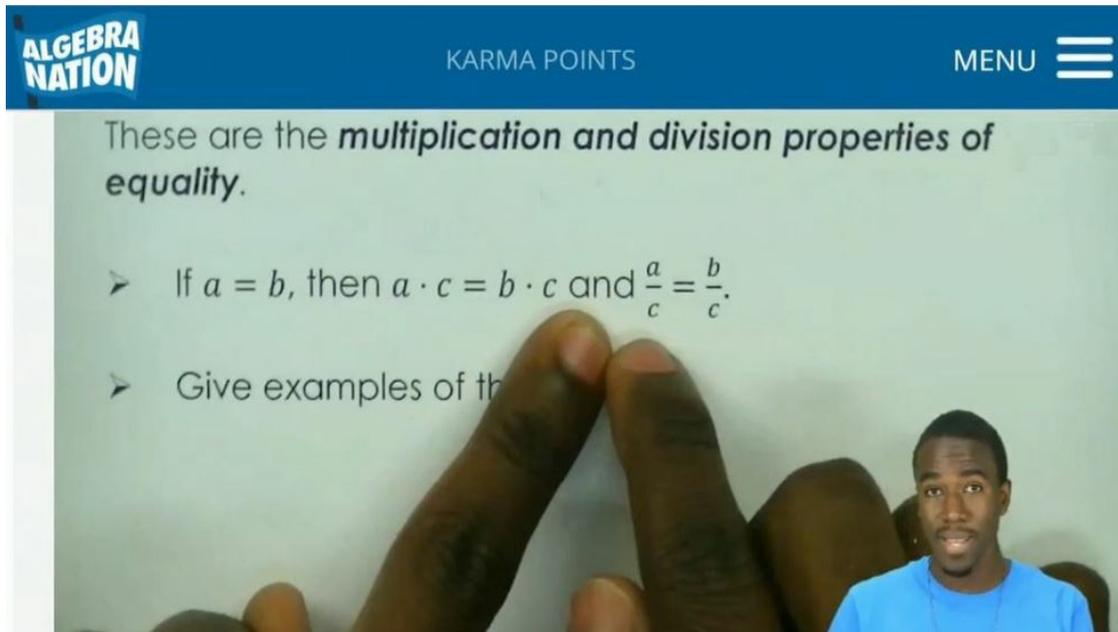


## 'Algebra Nation' app helping students at R.B. Stall High School master algebra

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It doesn't take a sea of students to know the value of a teacher.

"All you have to do is listen and you will learn," said Treasure Shine, a sophomore at R.B. Stall High School. "They break it down and show you how to solve a problem."

Her compliments aren't directed at the teacher standing in front of the classroom, but at the digital teachers she holds in her hands.

"You can test yourself, get help from the tutors on Algebra Nation," Shine added. Algebra Nation is an app that's giving freshmen at Stall High School access to tutoring videos that walks them through algebra problems. There's also a forum where students can chat with study experts to get help.

"They're making gains, that's the big thing," said Hope Gamble, an algebra teacher at Stall High School. She says the app gives both teachers and students more options. "I can still be teaching somebody who wants that teacher in front of them and then they can be listening on the iPad."

The South Carolina state legislature gave Algebra Nation \$1.5 million for this school year, putting it into 67 districts across the state.

“We’ve grown into much more than a pilot,” said Amy Adams, program director for Algebra Nation. She says end of course math scores for Stall students are up 20 percent compared to 2017 scores.

“That seems to be the gateway course,” Adams said of Algebra. “That’s where students either hang up their hat and say I’m done with math and whether they move on.”

“It really challenges your mind to think more,” Shine said of Algebra Nation. Thinking more about her new favorite subject, she says it’s just putting two and two together, to solve for  $x$ .