1.1 Graph Quadratic Functions in Standard Form

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Quadratic Function is a function that can be written in **Standard Form** $y=ax^2+bx+c$ where $a \ne 0$

The graph of a quadratic function is called a **Parabola**

Vertex is the lowest or highest point on a parabola. (h,k)

Axis of Symmetry- Divides the parabola into mirror images and passes through the vertex The equation for the A.O.S. can written as x=

Graphing y=ax²

+a the graph opens up	-a the graph opens down
a > 1 the graph is more narrow	a < 1 the graph is wider

Graphing y=ax²+c

+c moves the entire graph up	-c moves the entire graph down
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Graphing y=ax²+bx+c

Step 1: Vertex (h,K) | special (x,y)

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

Step 2: Plug back into equation to solve for y or use graphing calculator

Step 3: Get 2 points above and two points below vertex from table

Step 4: Graph all 5 points

Minimum and Maximum values

Find the y value of the vertex

Written as y=

- +a the graph will have a minimum value
- -a the graph will have a maximum value