### 2.3 Circles

v Definition of a Circle
A circle is the collection of points that are equidistant to a center point. The distance from the center to the points on the circle is the radius denoted $r$. The center is denoted $(h, k)$.


Standard Form of a Circle
The standard form of a circle is $(x-h)^{2}+(y-k)^{2}=r^{2}$, where $r$ is the radius and $(h, k)$ is the center.
v Examples: Find the Center and Radius
V Example 1: Find the center and Radius

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(x-2)^{2}+(y-3)^{2}=9
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- Example 2: Find the center and Radius

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(x+1)^{2}+(y-2)^{2}=16
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- Example 3: Find the center and Radius

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(x-3)^{2}+y^{2}=12
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## - Example: Graph a Circle

Graph the circle in standard form.

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(x-2)^{2}+(y+3)^{2}=16
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V Example: Find the Intercepts of the Circle
Find the $x$ and $y$ intercepts of the circle. $(x+2)^{2}+(y-3)^{2}=9$

The general form of a circle is $A x^{2}+B y^{2}+C x+D y+E=0$, where $A, B$, $C, D$, and $E$ are real numbers and $A=B \neq 0$.

V Examples: Write the Standard or General Form of the Circle
V Example 1: Write the standard form of the circle given the center and radius.
Center: $(2,-3)$ and radius: $r=4$

V Example 2: Write the general form of the circle given the center and a point on the circle

Center: $(1,-3)$ and a point on the circle $(1,0)$

V Example 3: Write the standard form of the circle given endpoints of the diameter Endpoints of the diameter: $(7,6)$ and $(-9,8)$

V Example 4: Write the standard form of the circle given the center and tangent to an $x$-axis

Center: $(-6,8)$ and tangent to the $x$-axis

V Examples: Use completing the square to write the equation of a circle in Standard Form

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x^{2}+y^{2}+4 x-2 y+1=0
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