



Contact Info

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Office Hours: 1st Period, before school and after school (all by appointment)

Welcome to Sixth Grade Math!

Welcome to a new school year and to the 6th grade! I am excited and looking forward to building our community of learners. Our objective for the year is for all students to improve their mathematical thinking and problem solving skills. By the end of the year students will have learned a vast amount of mathematical information and processes that will prepare them for mathematical success.

Course Objectives:

The learning objectives (daily learning goals) for this class will come from the California Common Core State Standards for 6th grade Math. These standards include the following units:

- Unit 1: Area and Surface Area
- Unit 2: Introducing Ratios
- Unit 3: Unit Rates and Percentages
- Unit 4: Dividing Fractions
- Unit 5: Arithmetic in Base Ten
- Unit 6: Expressions and Equations
- Unit 7: Rational Numbers
- Unit 8: Data Sets and Distributions
- Unit 9: Putting It All Together

Required Daily Materials:

- Pencils/pens/erasers
- Composition Book (provided)
- Homework Folder

Grading:

<u>Total Grade Breakdown</u>		<u>Grading Scale</u>	
Homework	10%	90%-100%	A
Assessments	40%	80%-89%	B
Classwork and Participation	50%	70%-79%	C
		60%-69%	D
		59% and Below	F

Classroom Procedures:

Arrival and Dismissal:

- Enter quietly, be in seat and ready to work by the time the bell rings
- Sign in the tardy log by the door if arriving after the bell
- Wait for dismissal, 1-all materials are away, 2-floor is clean and cleared, 3-know and have homework

Homework:

- Homework will be given on most days Monday through Thursday
 - Assignments should take 10-20 minutes on average. Students are not required to spend more than 30 minutes per assignment
- Homework should be completed on a daily basis to enforce good educational working habits and thinking about Math outside the classroom
- Homework will be checked once a week, for the week. You have the entire week to complete the week's assignments, therefore no late work is accepted

Classroom Behavior:

- Students are expected to follow classroom and school wide behavior expectations at all times. If students are struggling to follow expectations they will proceed down the behavior ladder that is posted in class. If students receive three verbal reminders during class and move down the ladder, they will receive a phone call home

Absent Work:

- If students are absent it is their responsibility to obtain the make-up assignments
- Assignments must be completed by the end of the week or within 48 hours, whichever is longer, in order to receive credit

Academic Integrity:

- Cheating is not tolerated in this classroom. If a student is caught cheating they will not receive credit for the assignment and the assignment will have to be made up for partial credit
- Parents/Guardians will be contacted about the incident

Please sign this syllabus, bring it home, and have your parent/guardian sign it as well. Keep the first page in your folder. Bring back only this page.

This will count as a homework grade.

Student:

I have read the Math 8 Course Syllabus and I understand what is expected of me:

Student Print _____

Student Sign: _____

Parent/Guardian

I have read the Math 8 Course Syllabus and I understand what is expected of my child:

Parent/Guardian Print: _____

Parent/Guardian Sign: _____

Parent/Guardian:

I can best be reached at:

Phone: _____

- I prefer (circle one): phone calls texts

Email: _____

Other: _____

My preferred method of contact is (circle one): phone email both