8th Grade Math - Syllabus

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COMMUNICATION

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GRADING POLICY

Marking Period Grade

80% Tests and Quizzes

20% Homework/Homework Quizzes

Semester Grade

- 40% 1st marking period
- 40% 2nd marking period
- 20% Exam

GRADING SCALE

100-93: A 86-83: B 76-73: C 66-63: D 93-90: A- 82-80: B- 72-70: C- 62-60: D- 89-87: B+ 79-77: C+ 69-67: D+ 59 or below: F

HOMEWORK GRADING & LATE WORK

Homework will be graded on a scale from 0 to 4.

- 4 points Complete and on time.
- 3 points One day late.
- 2 points Two days or more late.
- 0 points or M* Missing and/or incomplete work.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be assigned almost every single night because it is important to practice new math skills. Most days homework will be graded on completion, with students looking over their work from my answer key. Some days homework will be collected and graded on accuracy (often after students have a chance to fix it from my key!)

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO DO YOUR HOMEWORK
IF YOU WANT TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN THIS CLASS!!!!

TESTS

- Any student scoring 90% or higher on a PRE-TEST has the option of taking the final test.
- 1st semester If you do not get at least a 75% on the test, you will be retaking the test.
- Retaking the test is required if you fail, but anyone may choose to retake if they attend the study session usually at lunch, seminar, or after school.
- The original grade and the retake grade will be averaged for the final grade.
- 2nd semester Retakes will transition from being required, to being optional. This transition is to help students be prepared for high school.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is a course designed to follow the National Common Core Curriculum to prepare students for success in Algebra and Geometry in the high school.

TEXT AND MATERIALS

- Students **NEED** a <u>3-ring binder</u> for math only, this is where class notes will be stored.
- Math folder, can be kept in 3-ring binder.
- Calculator: Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS, Walmart has these for \$8.88 in August.
- Pencils, lots of pencils!!!

INDIVIDUAL HELP

Everyday students are welcome to meet with me **before school** or **during seminar** for help. Pre-arranged after school help is available too.

***ASK FOR HELP!!!!! You know you are struggling before I do... do not wait to get help! ***

CLASSROOM RULES

- CMS Handbook pg 6, "Students receiving three or more tardies to a class will receive a lunch detention."
- CMS Handbook pg 11, "infringements include: coats worn in the classrooms, backpacks in the classroom"
- Be Responsible have what you need before class begins.
- Be Respectful sharpen pencils at appropriate times, see above or during work time.
- Be Positive Smile, say words that are helpful, sound encouraging.

DO NOTHING TO HINDER THE LEARNING OR TEACHING OF ANYONE!!!!