

Mr. Downing – 6th Grade Titans Mathematics

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GOALS:

- 1) Develop a love and understanding of mathematics.
- 2) Achieve at your highest potential.
- 3) Have fun!

RULES/EXPECTATIONS:

- RESPONSIBLE:**
- Be on time, and bring proper supplies.
 - Work hard!
- RESPECTFUL:**
- Listen to and respect your teacher and classmates.
 - Follow directions the first time they are given.
 - Follow all school rules.
- SAFE:**
- Keep hands and feet to yourself.

MATERIALS:

All students should have the following materials in class every day:

Sharpened pencils

Pen

Dry Erase marker/eraser

3-Ring Binder (see below)

Loose-leaf paper

Eureka Workbook (given out in class)

Assignment notebook

Folder – This folder will stay in your 3 Ring Binder and hold all of your homework and classwork. You may want 2 folders, one for current work and one for old work. Notes taken will be written in the Eureka workbook.

Scientific Calculator (TI-30XA or similar) This is a math department requirement and can be used throughout your career at AUGS.

3-RING BINDER:

Your 3-Ring Binder should be able to hold all of the supplies and folders mentioned above. It can be used for all classes, but, for math, you should have a math folder (hole-punched) that fits inside the binder to hold all of your assignments.

GRADING: Homework, quizzes and tests combine to make up your grade with the following weights:

Classwork/Homework: 25%

Quizzes: 25%

Tests: 50%

- All grades are given in percentages. Any test, quiz, or homework assignment less than 70% may be redone for a grade of 70%.
- Late work receives 10% off per day late, but you may always receive at least 70%.
- Extra credit will be available, although not a significant factor in raising or lowering a grade.
- Absent work will receive full credit. The students will be permitted the same number of days as they were absent to turn in the make-up work, plus one. It is their responsibility to see me (or PowerSchool) about the work that they missed.

***** Please see the back of this sheet for more information and a signature page!*****

A FEW WORDS ABOUT CLASSWORK/HOMEWORK:

Completing classwork in math is critical for students to succeed and progress. The main purpose of classwork is to practice, reinforce, and extend concepts covered in the classroom. Assignments will be given almost every day, except Fridays. Occasionally assignments will need to be completed at home, but most of the time they will have time to finish in class. All classwork will be checked in, reviewed, and corrected the next day in class for students to receive instant feedback. Most classwork assignments will be graded, but the grading scale is slightly easier as this is practice. Performance on tests and quizzes will reflect how well students understand the concepts after they have been practiced.

E-MAIL: ddowning@antioch34.com

E-mail is the best way to contact me. I will always respond to your message before the end of the day. I will also be E-mailing you as a parent group once every week or two. This will include reminders about up-coming tests, due dates, and general information.

*****PLEASE CHECK WITH THE OFFICE TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR EMAIL IS CORRECT AS MY MESSAGES ARE AUTOMATICALLY SENT TO THAT E-MAIL ADDRESS. ONLY THE OFFICE CAN CHANGE YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESSES!*****

WEB SITE: <https://www.antioch34.com/Page/2374>

My web site is a great source of information! All of my homework is listed, as well as what was done in class. Links are provided for each assignment so you can print off lost homework. There are online games and links to information. There are videos that help explain lessons. Sometimes I may even post a puzzle, or some extra credit, or free prizes, so check my site daily!

POWER SCHOOL:

Whenever possible, grades will be updated on a daily basis. If there is ever a question about a grade, please ask the student first and then contact me. Please note the following PowerSchool codes:

“EX” means the student was excused from that grade (doesn't count for or against the student).

“0” means that I did not receive the assignment. This could mean that they did not put their name on it, which happens a lot, or they were absent, or they did not turn it in. I will put in a 0 even if the student is absent. This is meant to show the student what their grade would be if they did not turn in the assignment. They will still be able to receive full credit on the assignment.

BEHAVIOR:

Behaving properly in class goes a long ways towards doing well at math. I want my classroom to be the best possible environment for learning. If, after gentle reminders, a child will not stop a particular behavior, I will issue a formal warning. If that doesn't help, then I will talk with the child after class. If that doesn't help, then I will give you a call. I also give class incentives that will help keep everyone on track.

Remind your child that ANYONE can excel at math. A positive attitude and hard work are all that are needed. I am committed to helping your child reach his/her potential, and am very excited for a fantastic year! I WILL GIVE THE RULES BACK, SO TURN IN THIS ENTIRE SHEET, DON'T TEAR

We understand the above information and will work together to achieve these goals.

Student signature

Parent/Guardian signature