

Mrs. Halvorsen

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Welcome to 8th grade math!!! We will be covering many new topics plus reviewing the old. My policies are outlined below to help you understand my class and succeed!!

GRADING: letter grades follow the handbook

1. Practice: Homework-25%

Homework will be given on average of four days a week. Each assignment will be graded on effort and accuracy—all work must be shown for every problem. All work in math class is done in pencil with the exception of correcting homework which shall be done in ink. For absences, it is your responsibility to get the missing work. Any late work must be handed in before the formal assessment over the current unit of study.

2. Summative/Formative Assessments: Tests/Quizzes/Projects-50%

Tests will be given at the middle/end of each unit. Quizzes/Exit Slips will be given more often over questions from their homework and notes (problems, definitions, equations, and theorems). Quiz/Exit Slip corrections may be allowed for students earning less than a C. The improved grade can only be up to a maximum of 75%. Over the course of the year, we will be working with hands-on activities, technology, real-life activities, and manipulatives (all considered to be projects) to enhance the understanding of certain concepts.

3. Performance: Classroom Work/Participation-25%

To show understanding and effort, in-class assignments, weekly warm-ups, and observational assessments will be graded to encompass the student's mastery of the topics.

MATERIALS

1. A single subject notebook is needed to keep notes.
2. A pencil pouch to hold sharpened pencils, erasers, pens for correcting homework, highlighter, dry erase marker, and calculator (TI-30XIIS or similar is recommended).
3. A math specific folder to keep your weekly warm-up and homework safe.

EXPECTATIONS

1. You must follow the rules of the handbook.
2. All homework should be completed **before** class—math builds upon itself so you need to make sure you do the homework so you are prepared for the new concept.

With us working together, I hope that we have an awesome year!! **Please have your supplies and turn in the bottom portion by Friday, August 23rd.**

Thanks!!!!!!

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PLEASE CUT HERE

We understand the above expectations and will try to work together to accomplish all of the year's goals.

Student Name (print)

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature