



# 7<sup>™</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Math Course Expectations Ms. Healy 732-833-4701 shealy@jacksonsd.org

#### Welcome to Math!

You will find this year in middle school to be full of exciting endeavours but also one with strength, change, and growth. Fear not...I am here to aid you through this journey. In this class you will learn to be creative, how to think and work through problems, and how to self-teach. You are going to build confidence in your math ability, which will be the most important skill to take with you in your future years in middle school and high school. Be ready to work hard and have a fun, successful year!

#### **Homework**

Attendance is a crucial part of succeeding in this class as well as excelling throughout the curriculum. If you are absent, you have <u>two days</u> to make up any missing work. After the two days the missing assignment will become a <u>permanent zero</u> and cannot be made up. Exceptions will be made for long-term absences and parents are <u>urged</u> to put in a work request to guidance if their child will be out more than two days. There will be daily reminders in Google Classroom of all homework assignments along with copies of any notes or examples we completed in class. Google Classroom and Gmail accounts should be checked daily.

## Required Materials: (every day you should have...)

- > Charged Chromebook (please bring your own headphones if you have them)
- > One three-ring binder with three separations (for math only)
- Hand held pencil sharpener
- > Filler paper
- > Supply of pencils/pens (to correct homework)
- ➤ Highlighter
- ➤ One low-odor dry erase expo marker

DUE DATE FOR SUPPLIES: Monday, September 12th	
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> Coming prepared for class is half the battle! YOU are responsible for bringing these materials daily.

### **Classroom Expectations:**

- 1. Come to class prepared and on time. Be ready to work! When you walk in the room, there will be a DO NOW either handed to you or on the screen. This time is not to be wasted, but used to focus on the topic or lesson of the day.
- 2. You must remain in your seat unless otherwise given permission. This also means at the end of the period you will wait to be dismissed.
- 3. You may not leave the classroom during instructional time. If you need to use the restroom please wait until the day's lesson is complete. Only one person is allowed out of the room at a time. Excessively leaving class or spending too much time when you are out is grounds for losing these privileges. Before leaving the rest room, you must place your phone if you have one in the **Phone Drop** in the back of the room.
- 4. Raise your hand if you have something to say. I will do my best to make this classroom a democracy, but calling out and interrupting someone while they are speaking is unacceptable.
- 5. Discipline will be dealt within consistency with the rules of the school.
- 6. Maintain respect—for yourself, each other, your teacher and the classroom.

## Grading Policy:

- Assessments: 60% (announced at the beginning of the week)
- ➤ Homework: 10% (given daily...check homework board, google classroom, or class page)
- ➤ Participation: 30% (Open-ended questions, Participation quizzes, class activities)
- > All grades are available on Genesis and are updated weekly.
  - o "M" = Missing from being absent (counts as a zero until made up)
  - o "EXC" = Excused from the assignment (does not count against grade)
- ➤ All homework and lessons will be posted daily on your Class Page and Google Classroom.
- ➤ If any student receives less than an 80% on a test/quiz they will be given the opportunity to make corrections in order to earn points back up to an 80%. Students will also have to have a parent/guardian signature on the corrected quiz in order to receive credit for corrections if the original grade was below a 70%.

#### > EXTRA CREDIT:

- o Usually given on every Assessment.
- No extra credit/make up work will be accepted at the end of the marking period to change your grade

#### > EXTRA HELP:

One to two times per week if available. Reminders will be posted in Google Classroom.