**Welcome to 7th Grade Math**

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I am looking forward to working with your child to make this an exciting and successful year in seventh grade.  **Email** is the most efficient way to contact me throughout the year with any questions or concerns.

**Please read the following information carefully with your child and sign and return the bottom portion.**

**Math Materials Requested:**

* 4 single subject spiral notebooks (bring in all 4 notebooks at the beginning of the year)
* Math section with loose leaf paper in the student’s 3-ring binder.
* 1 folder that will be places inside the 3-ring binder
* 1 pack of pencils/erasers
* 1 pack of colored pencils
* 1 pack of Dry Erase Markers
* 1 pack of glue sticks

**Interactive Notebooks:**

* A new single subject spiral notebook will be used every nine weeks.
* Pages will be numbered and should never be torn out.
* Handouts, quizzes, tests, etc. will be glued in.
* Homework will be placed in the math homework folder.
* A table of contents will be included and must be kept up-to-date.

**Textbooks:**

* Textbooks will not be issued to individual students. Each teacher will have a class set.
* Textbooks can be accessed online for use at home. Students will be receiving directions and a password to use within a few weeks.

**Classroom Procedures:**

* Enter classroom quietly and on time.
* Sharpen all pencils before class begins.
* Take spiral notebook out of binder and update table of contents.
* Take completed homework out of folder place on corner of your desk.
* Begin warm-up while homework is being checked.
* Participate in all classroom activities, stay on task, and always put forth your best effort.
* Ask permission to get out of your seat.
* Clean up entire area (desk, floor) before leaving.

**Student Behavior:**

* All students are expected to act in a respectful, honest, and courteous manner to teachers, administration, staff, and peers.
* Actions that interfere with teaching and learning will not be tolerated.
* Be **accountable** for your own behavior; follow all rules in the Student Code of Conduct.

**Evaluation:**

* Grades are determined based upon a body of evidence that demonstrates student’s mastery toward pre-determined standard of learning. Among these are classwork, group activities, homework, quizzes, performance assessments, and projects. Percentage scores will be used. All assignments will be weighted once with the exception of long range projects, performance assessments, and tests which will be weighted twice. This means the grades will count as two grades in the gradebook.
* No individual extra credit will be given.
* The VBCPS grading scale will be used to determine a letter grade
* A 93 - 100 B+ 87 - 89 C+ 77 - 79 D+ 67 - 69

A- 90 - 92 B 83 - 86 C 73 - 76 D 64 - 66

B- 80 - 82 C- 70 - 72 E below 64

**Homework:**

* Students are responsible for copying homework each day in the planner provided.
* Work must be in pencil.
* Homework will be assigned Monday –Friday
* “Answers only” is considered incomplete**. Work must be shown and brought to class. This includes when using a calculator.**
* For every homework assignment that is complete on time, students will receive a ticket that will go towards a weekly drawing.
* Students and parents can access the daily homework assignment on our webpage via the faculty web page which can be found on LMS website.

<http://www.landstownms.vbschools.com/pages/aboutus/staff/index.asp>

**Absences/Make-up Work:**

* In block scheduling, 1 day of absence is like missing 2 days.
* Upon return students are responsible for requesting and completing missed homework and classwork in a timely manner. (1 day to complete work for each day of absence). However deadlines may be flexible based on individual circumstance.
* Previous day’s homework and make-up work must be shown to me to receive a ticket for weekly drawing.

**Suggestions for parents:**

* Check planners and class website for homework assignments, upcoming assessments projects etc.
* In addition to progress reports and report cards **you can access grades via parent portal.** If you have not registered, please contact the guidance office or main office.
* Reminder Open house is: Thursday September 17th 6:00pm

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