

Dear 7th Grade Families,

August 14, 2017

Welcome to 7th grade and another exciting school year! I look forward to getting to know your child and working with them as they face the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

My goal is to help your child become a responsible student and to instill in them a lifelong love of learning. I hold high expectations for our students, both in academics and behavior. I work hard at establishing a classroom atmosphere of respect, cooperation, and compassion. I expect all my students to come to class each day prepared and ready to learn.

Parents are an integral part of each child's education. I look forward to working together to help your child succeed. This is what will be expected of all students in my classroom.

Classroom Rules

- We will show respect.
- We will participate.
- We will be engaged in our learning.
- We will be positive.
- Our actions, our consequences.

Consequences

If a student chooses not to follow the rules or correct their behavior:

- They will be given a warning, documented in our behavior log, this gives them an opportunity to correct their behavior.
- If the behavior continues they will be asked to move locations, this will be considered a second documented warning.
- If the behavior has still not stopped a lunch detention will be given after the third warning is documented.
- Two warnings documented on the same day will result in an automatic detention.
- Major infractions will be an automatic office referral.
 - These can be found in the handbook.

Grades/Expectations

Grade Weighting		Grading Scale	
● Tests/Task/Projects	50%	● 90% - 100%	A
● Quizzes	20%	● 80% - 89%	B
● Practice	20%	● 70% - 79%	C
● Participation	10%	● 60% - 69%	D
		● <60%	F

Your GRADE is a measurement of your learning.

- School is about growing your brain! Your grade measures that growth.
- If you don't like a grade, **you have the power to change it!**
- Think of a low grade as being temporarily out of balance with expectations.
- I have high expectations for you and **I know you can MEET them** when you put in the effort.

What do letter grades mean?

A: 90%-100%- I understand completely

- I have mastered ALL the learning targets for 7th grade math
- My work was well done, neat, and to the BEST of my ability

B: 80%-89%- I mostly understand

- I am *proficient, but not perfect* on the learning targets for 7th grade math
- I might need a little more practice or to put in a bit more effort

C: 70%-79%- I understand *some*, but need to understand more

- I am meeting some, but not all the learning targets for 7th grade math
- I need to ask questions
- I need more practice or to put in a bit more effort

D: 60%-69%- I understand very little

- I am meeting **FEW** learning targets for 7th grade math
- I need to ask questions
- I need to work outside of the regular class time to help me understand
- I need more practice or to put in more effort
- I need to study and complete the process to re-take failed assessments

F: 0%-59%- I do **NOT** understand

- I am **NOT** meeting learning targets for 7th grade math
- I need to ask questions
- I need to work outside of the regular class time to help me understand
- I need more practice or to put in more effort
- I need to study and complete the process to re-take failed assessments
- I need to complete all assignments, pay attention, and try harder

Please feel free to contact me by phone or email at any time and I will do my best to respond to you as quickly as possible. You may also refer to my teacher page on the school website for lesson plans, assignments, and announcements. I encourage you to join my “7th Grade Math” class with the message service “remind” (formerly “remind 101”). You can set up to receive messages via text message or email. Instructions for each are attached.

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Thank you,
Mrs. Amy Screeton
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******Please clearly fill out and return to Mrs. Screeton******

Student Name

Parent/Guardian Name

Email

Phone

Preference of **how** you would like to be contacted

Best **time** to contact you

I have read and understand these classroom expectations for 7th Grade Math.

Student Signature_____

Date_____

Parent Signature_____

Date_____