RICHARDSON MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH SYLLABUS, 2019-2020

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Parent Communication:

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. **The best way to contact me is by email**.

- Conferences: available by request during period 2
- Via e-mail: fujii.michael@tusd.org
- Via telephone: (310) 533-4790, ext. 8921
- Please check the Power School weekly

Website:

This year I will be using my own website. Please check it regularly! Here are two web addresses to the same site:

- https://sites.google.com/site/fujiialgebra1
- http://tiny.cc/fujiimath
- Google search: "Fujii Math"

Learning Targets:

Your learning targets, as well as other resources, will be on your learning log:

- 7th Accelerated Learning Targets
- 7th Standard Learning Targets

Online Textbook:

- 1. Go to http://clever.com/in/torrance
- 2. Click on "Login with Google"
- 3. Once the Clever homepage loads, go to the digital textbooks section, and click on the McGraw-Hill icon.
- 4. You will be automatically signed in.

Class Rules:

- Come to class prepared (bring pencils, paper, homework, textbook)
- Be respectful of other people and their property
- Avoid distracting yourself and others from learning

Grading:

Grades will be given based primarily on students' performances on projects, quizzes, and tests:

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Grading scale:

88-100% = A

75-87.9% = B

60-74.9% = C

35-59.9% = D

34.9% and below = F
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Gradebook categories:

Quizzes/Tests: 85% Projects: 10% Classwork/Homework: 5%

Testing Policy

This year, we will be tested according to our Learning Targets List. Take a look at the list under the Class Documents page.

Each quiz or test will contain about 1-3 problems per Learning Target. Most quizzes will cover 3-6 Learning Targets. Tests will cover all Learning Targets from that unit, and will also include a review of some older Learning Targets. "Quick Checks" will be Pop Quizzes on various Learning Targets.

Each problem will be graded on a five-point scale. *We are piloting this grading scale. If it is not working well, we will revert to the four-point scale.

To earn a 5:

- Answer was correct and complete with all work shown to support answer
- Explanations/justifications showed thorough understanding of the learning target using math vocabulary

To earn a 4:

- Answer was incorrect due to a small math error only
- Answer was correct but only showed partial work to support answer
- Explanation/justification was incomplete or incorrect
- All parts of the problem were completed showing understanding of learning target

To earn a 3:

- Answer was incorrect but only showed partial understanding of learning target
- All parts of the problem were not completed

To earn a 2:

Answer was incorrect/incomplete and showed only basic knowledge of learning target

To earn a 1:

• Work showed no knowledge or understanding of the learning target

To earn a o:

• No work shown

Your grade. Your grade for any Learning Target is your *most recent* score. You may not skip any Learning Target on quizzes or tests (this will earn a score of o).

You may retest any Learning Target. Retests will take place at snack, at lunch, or after school by appointment, depending on Mr. Fujii's schedule. Please see Mr. Fujii if you have prepared for a retest on any Learning Target.

Earning Retest Opportunities. There is no limit to retests. However, you must prove that you have prepared for a retest. In order to earn the retest opportunity, you must bring in the classwork/homework assignment for that Learning Target, as well as a minimum of 7 practice problems complete with justifications. Alternatively, you may complete a worksheet instead of the 7 practice problems. There will be a page on the class website with worksheets for each section of the textbook.

Retest rules. 1) You may retest as many Learning Targets as you would like on any given day, but only once on that day. 2) You may not retest on the day that a test is passed back. 3) You may either come in for extra help on a concept or retest on any given day (but not both). These rules are to help you improve your skills and retain the skills in your memory!

Every student can strive to earn all 5's!