

RICHARDSON MIDDLE SCHOOL
6TH GRADE MATH SYLLABUS, 2016-2017

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Course Description:

7th Grade Mathematics is a California requirement for middle school students. The following is a link to the Common Core State Standards.

- <http://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/documents/ccssmathstandardaug2013.pdf> (Common Core Standards)

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 1
- Progress Reports
- Via e-mail: fujii.michael@tusd.org
- Via telephone: (310) 533-4790, ext. 8914
- **Please check the Parent Portal 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>

Parent Portal:

The Parent Portal is a website used by TUSD so that parents can monitor students' grades. I will update the online gradebook weekly so that parents and students may see students' updated grades. I recommend showing students their grades regularly. The web address for Parent Connect is:

- <https://tcssl.tusd.org/parentportal>

Recommended Materials:

- Textbook
- Planner
- Lined paper
- Graph paper
- 2-3 sharpened or mechanical pencils with erasers
- 1 red pen
- 1 dry erase marker

Class Rules:

- Come to class prepared (bring pencils, paper, homework, textbook).
- Be respectful of other people and their property.
- Do not distract others from learning.

Consequences:

1. Verbal warning
2. After-class conference with teacher
3. Detention and parent notification and a citizenship grade of “N”
4. Referral to Vice Principal and a citizenship grade of “U”

Electronic Devices:

Ipods, cellphones, and other electronic devices are to be turned off at the beginning of class and may be confiscated immediately and without warning. Confiscated electronic devices will be sent to the office.

Textbooks:

California Math, Course 1, McGraw Hill Education (Glencoe)
Volumes 1 and 2

Each student will be given two textbooks to use for the year. These books are consumable. In other words, students may write in their textbooks!

The textbooks are broken down into two volumes, but we will not be going through the books in order. Because students are writing directly in their textbooks, they must bring the books to school every day. I will let students know which book to bring to class.

Grading:

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

Quizzes/Tests:	80%
Projects:	15%
Classwork/Homework:	5%

88—100% = A

75—87.9% = B

60—74.9% = C

35—59.9% = D

34.9% and below = F

This year, we will be grading tests using a different (4-point) system. This system is being utilized in order to promote concept mastery and building math relationships, even if the class has moved past a specific concept. Please see the [Grading Policy document](#) for an overview of the test grading system.

Practice:

Traditionally, practice assignments have been called homework or classwork. Practice assignments will count for 5% of student grades and will be *spot-checked*. Students will earn points based on completion and effort.

Make-up and Late Work:

If a student is absent, ***it is the student's responsibility*** to find out the assignment and turn it in to the teacher. A student will have the same number of days as his or her absence to make up assignments and tests. It is the responsibility of the student to come to class and ask to make-up a quiz or test.

Late projects will be accepted for partial credit.

Attendance:

It is the student's responsibility to keep track of his or her number of absences and tardies. The teacher will remind the student if either total is becoming excessive. Otherwise, we will follow the school attendance policy.

Additional Resources:

Students have access to their textbook online. To log on, go to <http://connected.mcgraw-hill.com/connected/login.do>

Username: etusd email address (ID#@etusd.org)

Password: (same as computer lab login, it is the your ID Number with two capital letters)

Also, <https://www.khanacademy.org/> is a great resource for students. The tutorial videos are helpful, and the practice module is a great way to practice and enhance skills. The website covers math material from kindergarten through calculus.

I am looking forward to working with both you and your child this year. Again, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Michael Fujii