

Adv. Math

Goal: To have our students successfully complete the 8th grade curriculum so they can successfully complete the STAAR math test and be ready for Algebra in the 9th grade.

Homework: Students are usually given plenty of time to finish all their assignments in class. However, there are times when homework will be assigned for the students to complete and students that work slower will have work to finish 2 or 3 times a week.

Tests: At the end of each unit a test will be administered to determine student mastery of the material.

Blended Learning-Throughout the year the students will participate in blended learning and given tasks that will be graded like regular assignments. The students will be given opportunities to choose how to show mastery of a concept. This approach fosters students' growth by providing student with choice. This method uses technology to support and enhance traditional teaching by allowing for differentiation, individual pacing, and varied learning activities.

Grades: For all Middle School grade levels, the average of the unit tests and projects/performances will be 25% of the quarter grade. All other assignments such as daily work, quizzes, homework, oral and written reports, class participation, and District Curriculum Assessments (DCA) will count as 75% of the quarter grade. A minimum of 16 grades per quarter will be recorded in teacher gradebooks. A middle school students must have a final grade of 70% or greater in order to earn credit for the course. Partial credit may not be awarded at the middle school level. Students shall be allowed to retake a test, or an assignment categorized as a test grade for grade calculation purposes, one time if the following requirements are met:

- If more than 25% of the class fails a test or an assignment categorized as a test grade, all students in the class shall be given the opportunity to retest/redo one time if this condition is met.

Only grades categorized as a test grade are eligible for a retest or redo; in addition, the criteria defined above must be met. Daily work and homework, for example, are not eligible for a redo or makeup assignment after receiving a failing grade, including a zero.

Tutoring: We will tutor our students through our FLEX program. (FLEX- allotted time during the school day to rotate students that are in need of extra help). This will take place after fall break.

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Conference: 9th Period (3:13-4:00)