The Villages Charter Middle School 2025-2026 7th Grade Math Course Syllabus

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COURSE DESCRIPTION AND CONTENT:

The purpose of the course is to develop algebraic problem solving in real world and mathematical problems. The content will include, but not be limited to the following:

- Use Rational Number Operations
- Analyze and Use Proportional Relationships
- Analyze and Solve Percent Problems
- Write Algebraic Expressions in Equivalent Forms
- Solve Problems Using Equations and Inequalities
- Represent and Interpret Data
- Understand Probability
- Solve Problems Involving Geometry

TEXTBOOK:

Our textbook is Savvas enVision's Florida BEST 7th Grade Math . Your student will utilize the online textbook by clicking the Savvas logo in Clever.

MATERIALS NEEDED:

- 1" binder (any color)
- 1 pack of loose leaf paper to be placed within the binder
- 2 packs of dry erase markers

 (One for backpack and one for classroom to provide to student later in the year)
- 1 package of #2 pencils (to be left in classroom)
- 8 tab 2 pocket dividers
- Corded Headphones (required daily in class)

GRADING CATEGORIES IN SKYWARD:

Students' grades will be determined by using the following categories and percentages in Skyward:

Practice Grades 30% Performance/Mastery Grades 70%

Practice Grades consist of homework assignments, bellringers, lesson activities, daily work, etc.

Performance/Mastery Grades consist of any assignment or assessment that measures student mastery of content standards. Some examples include chapter and unit tests, quizzes, projects, lab reports, etc.

Late Work Policy:

Practice assignments turned in 1 day late will be accepted for a maximum of 60% and those turned in 2 or more days late will receive a zero.

Mastery assignments must be completed, however, a late penalty may be applied.

Grading Scale: A (90-100) B (80-89) C (70-79) D (60-69) F (0-59)

Assignments:

All assignments, due dates and locations will always be posted in the Google Classroom. Assignments will be located in ALEKS, i-Ready, online textbook, Wayground, Edpuzzle Video, IXL, or Edulastic. Links to these sites can be found in Clever and the Google Classroom. All assignments will be graded. Students will need to finish these assignments at home or during after school tutoring if absent or not finished during class.

Assessments:

All Assessments will count as a Mastery Grade. Quizzes will be worth 50 pts. Students will be given the opportunity to retake quizzes during after school tutoring. The highest score will be entered into Skyward.

Tests will be worth 100 pts. Students will be allowed to retake any tests in tutoring. The original test score and test retake score will be <u>averaged</u> to put the extra points earned into Skyward. Only the students who studied and earned a 100% on the original test, will have a 100% in Skyward.

The day before an assessment, I will answer questions and go over all the questions on the review. Students must study for their quiz in order to succeed. To study, students should redo all of the review questions without looking at the answer or the correct work. Then, students should check their answers. If it is wrong, they have the correct work. They should find their mistake and try the question again.

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS/RULES

- 1. Be on time and where you are supposed to be. (Prompt)
- 2. Be prepared and on task. (Prepared)
- 3. Ask for what you need. (Positive)
- 4. Strive for excellence and always do your best. (Productive)
- 5. Respect the rights, responsibility, and property of others. (Polite)

You are responsible for reading and following the student handbook as well as classroom procedures and classroom rules. When you make a choice that violates classroom and/or school rules, disciplinary consequences will be implemented. Please refer to the following documents found on the tvcs.org website under "middle school", "Forms/Documents/Newsletters":

- VCMS Student Handbook
- 25-26 Classroom Behavior Management Plan

PROCEDURES

- * Daily Required Materials: You are responsible for bringing your math binder, charged computer, corded headphones, pencil, paper, dry erase marker, and eraser to class daily. Students who choose to come to class unprepared also choose consequences including parent contact, detention, and possibly a discipline referral for repeated offenses.
- ❖ To ensure that our time together is used wisely, be sure to use the restroom during class changes. Some emergencies throughout the year are to be expected but this should not be the norm.
- ❖ You may only have a water bottle with CLEAR water at your desk. Please be sure to refill your water bottle between classes.
- Students must go directly to their assigned seat upon entering the classroom and begin bell work. We will put effort into strengthening our math skills "Bell to Bell". At the end of the class period, the teacher will dismiss students and not the bell.

Make-up Work:

If you are absent from school, it is your responsibility to obtain make-up work from the Google Classroom. Any handouts will have your name on them and may be collected from the class handout tray or a digital copy is in the Google Classroom. To receive credit for missed work due to an absence, a student must turn in assignments upon returning to school within the number of days missed plus one day. I will be providing lesson videos in the Google Classroom for your child to watch and take notes on. All guided notes answer keys will also be posted in the Google Classroom. It is vitally important to your child's progress in Math that he/she keeps up with the homework and completes it on time even while absent.

ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE AND COMMUNICATION

I am available to any student or parent requesting additional assistance or needing additional information. If you choose to email me at melanie.bills@tvcs.org, please remember to put "Student" in the subject line so your email will reach me through the VCS web filter. If you prefer to contact me by phone, please call the school office and leave a message requesting me to return your phone call. If I need to contact you, I will first try to contact you through email unless you have indicated a preference for phone contact on the Syllabus return form.

Electronic Signature for Syllabus

Please click on this link and fill out this form to indicate that you have read this syllabus. This electronic signature page is due Friday, August 15, 2025. <u>Electronic Signature Page</u>

I am looking forward to a fantastic school year!

Melanie Bills