

# Math 8

## 2019-2020

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2019-20 school year. Please take a minute to read the information below.

### Curriculum

The curriculum in Math 8 is aligned with the National Common Core Standards in Mathematics for eighth grade. We will be using the text from College Preparatory Math (CPM) that follows these standards. CPM hardback textbooks will be used in class instruction and CPM ebooks will be used at home for studying and homework completion. The ebook is essentially a digital copy of the hardback textbook.

### Grading

Grades are based on scores received from "Assignments of the Day" (AD) along with quizzes and tests. One day late assignments are given partial credit. Progress reports will be mailed home midway through each trimester. Typically, four assignments will be given per week. Each assignment (AD) begins during the instructional period and will be completed outside of class. Assignments are corrected daily and stamped for grade on a **Record of Assignment (ROA)** sheet. There may occasionally be days when I do not have enough time to stamp everyone's ROA. Nevertheless, the work is still due and will ultimately be counted/graded.

### Absences

A link for assignments can be found on my google classroom site. When a student returns from an absence, he/she must check in with me and begin work on the current assignment first. Missed work is usually given one extra day for completion.

### Extra Help

On the above-mentioned link in google classroom you will find several math support links including the CPM Common Core Math 8 parent guide [www.cpm.org/cc3-parent-guide](http://www.cpm.org/cc3-parent-guide). This guide offers extra practice and support for anyone who needs it. Further, if a student is having difficulty with the work, extra help will be available before or after school by appointment.

A list of required materials is provided on the back of this letter. If you have further questions or concerns, please contact me by email or phone. I am looking forward to a productive and successful year.

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(Parent Signature)

## Required materials:

I. A thin 3-ring binder ( $\leq 1$ " ) with tab dividers for the following sections:

- a. Assignments
- b. Notes
- c. Tests/Quizzes
- d. Graph paper

II. Lots of pencils, pens (preferably red), and a scientific calculator

III. Ruler/Straightedge

IV. Graph Paper

### First Assignment of the Day!

**AD #1:** Please bring an organized binder (as described above), all supplies, and a parent signature (front side of this first day letter). I will check for this on **Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**.

Please let me know if you have any difficulty acquiring the materials for any reason. I can probably help!

My best, ~Mr. Marti