

8th Grade Math - Information and Expectations 2024-25

1. Supplies – 3 ring binder (1½ in), notebook paper, pencils, grading pen, subject dividers(3), 1 composition notebook, **tape
2. Come to class prepared to learn. We will work hard. There are NO free periods or “catch up” days.
3. Be on time. Class begins when the bell rings. When class is over, I will dismiss you, not the bell.
4. Homework – expect it! Do it! It is not punishment, it is practice which is necessary to be good at anything. Homework may be graded for a daily grade or you may receive a completion grade. Completion grades are not made up or zapped as the answers to homework problems will be given out in class. ALL WORK MUST BE DONE IN PENCIL, NO INK!

INCOMPLETE HOMEWORK (THAT WILL BE GRADED) WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. THE BMS LATEWORK POLICY WILL BE FOLLOWED.

***If you have questions about the homework, get help in the morning before school. Coming to class and saying “I didn’t understand it” is not an acceptable excuse. Be responsible! Your composition book will also be a very valuable tool.

5. *****Grade improvement:**

- Daily work below 70 can be corrected to bring your grade up to 70.
- STAAR quizzes can be corrected, with work shown, **AND** a retake (extra practice problems) must be done to earn half of your points back. Retakes available on Mondays, due by Wednesday. **IT IS MANDATORY IF YOU MAKE BELOW 70 AND I WILL FOLLOW LATE WORK PROCEDURES IF IT IS NOT DONE.**
- STAAR retention corrections - do the correction, showing all work – grade adjustment: 80 becomes 85, 60 becomes 75, any grade below 60 becomes 70. Quiz returned on Monday, corrections due by Wednesday. **IT IS MANDATORY IF YOU MAKE BELOW 70 AND I WILL FOLLOW LATE WORK PROCEDURES IF IT IS NOT DONE.**
- Tests – in order to improve a grade below 70 on a test, you must make corrections with work shown.
- **Attendance is crucial.** If you are absent, it is your responsibility to see me for your assignment, preferably in the morning before school. You will have 1day for each day absent to complete the assignment(s), after that it will be late.

6. Upon entering the room, sharpen your pencil and get ready to work. **You should be in your seat when the bell rings.** Begin working on STAAR warm-up problems immediately. Tape any sheets into comp book. ALL socializing should be done before entering the room.

*****Use the bathroom before class. You have 5 minutes in between. **I do not allow students to leave the room to go to the bathroom.** Exception: emergency

7. STAAR quizzes –Will be over a concept previously taught. Your weekly warm-ups serve as a review of that concept and you will have other notes, examples, and daily work to help review the concept. Most quizzes will be on Friday, but if need be, may be moved to another day to accommodate the schedule. Normally, we discuss warm-ups daily and a quiz will follow on Friday. Quizzes are returned on Monday. If you made anything less than 100 you may improve your grade by doing corrections on the quiz AND a STAAR retake. This is another set of similar problems to the quiz. Once all questions are correctly answered (all work shown),

you will receive half of your points back or a minimum of a 70. Starting with STAAR quiz 2, you will have 2 sides of the STAAR quiz. The first covering the current concept and the other, called “retention” will contain questions on any concept that you have already been quizzed on. Remembering how to do math concepts is vital to being a GREAT math student.

THIS SERVES AS A REVIEW. IT IS DIFFICULT TO GET EVERYTHING TAUGHT IN TIME. MAKING SURE YOU KNOW HOW TO DO THESE PROBLEMS IS VITAL TO SUCCESS ON STAAR.

8. Notebook – Everyone should have one.

Notebook sections: 1. STAAR Warm-ups
2. STAAR Quizzes
3. Daily work (homework and worksheets)

9. Grade calculation: Homework/daily work 25%, Test 20% -1 per six weeks,
STAAR quizzes 55% - There will be 4-6 per six weeks

General policy – NO WORK, NO CREDIT! I WILL NOT GRADE YOUR PAPER IF YOU DO NOT SHOW WORK! I DO NOT GRADE INCOMPLETE WORK. IT WILL BE CONSIDERED LATE.

10. Do not lay your head down on your desk. This promotes sleep, not learning.

11. When you are turning in a quiz or test, be sure your name (**FIRST & LAST NAME**) is on it before you get up to turn it in. You may not write on your paper once you get to the table of turn in trays.

12. All binders must be put in their appropriate spot before leaving. Name should be visible on spine.

14. The STAAR test window is April 21 – May 2. We prepare all year for it.

15. The best way to contact me is through e-mail. My address is cegger@brazosisd.net. If you would like to meet in person, please call the office to set up an appointment. (979)478-6814. My conference period is 9th period. Remind is also an effective way to contact me for quick questions. I see the message faster than an email. Students and parents should sign up.

YOUR SUCCESS IN THIS CLASS WILL DEPEND ON YOU! LAZINESS IS THE ONLY WAY YOU CAN FAIL THIS CLASS! LIFE WILL NOT GET ANY EASIER, CHANGE BAD HABITS NOW AND TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR EDUCATION!

Name_____

TURN THIS FORM IN TO MRS. EGGER

Parents,

Your child received a copy of my policies and procedures for 8th grade math. Please take time to read it. Please sign this sheet and have your child return it to **Mrs. Egger** by Friday, August 16.

I have read the 8th grade math policies and procedures.

Student signature

Parent signature

Please provide the information below so that I can contact you if necessary.

Person to contact_____relationship to student_____

Phone_____

e-mail_____