

6th Grade Math



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Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year at Eisenhower Middle School!

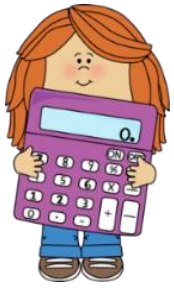
how to contact me: Feel free to contact me at any time if you have questions or concerns. The best and most efficient way to connect with me is through email. It is my policy to respond to emails within 24 hours. To help answer Frequently Asked Questions, please bookmark my classroom website (which can be accessed through the Eisenhower website, and is linked on the bottom of any email you have received from me). The website will list each day's assignments, outline policies, and include other useful resources and pertinent information.

supplies required daily: *Sharpened* pencils, erasers, your **charged** device (once you receive it on 9/17), current unit Open Up workbook, pen (colored ink for correcting; please no black), colored pencils, clear tape, highlighters in 4+ colors, and Ike Pages (planners also serve as hall passes). I will communicate via email should additional supplies become necessary.

unit overview: We will cover 8 units this year including: Area and Surface Area, Introducing Ratios, Unit Rates and Percentages, Dividing Fractions, Arithmetic in Base Ten, Expressions and Equations, Rational Numbers, and Data Sets and Distributions. Please see the attached syllabus for more detailed information about learning objectives.

curriculum: Our math curriculum, *Open Up Resources*, is an Open Education Resource, meaning that you are free to explore the entire curriculum online at your leisure. Your child will be given a consumable workbook with each new unit. **This will be the most valuable and widely used resource students will have this year.** It will be extremely important that students bring their workbooks to class *every day* and home every evening, as their homework is printed in the workbook. All class notes will be taken in this workbook as well. There are no textbooks associated with this curriculum.

→ More information on reverse side! →



TIPS FOR SUCCESS IN OUR CLASS:

- **ASK QUESTIONS RIGHT AWAY.** Don't let confusion hold you back!
- **COLLABORATE WITH PEERS**
- **LISTEN INTENTLY** to directions, explanations, & discussions.
- **COMPLETE ALL ASSIGNMENTS** on time.
- **USE YOUR NOTES** to review skills daily & to prepare for tests.

Grading: One of the most effective ways to keep informed is to log in to the LMS website to check grades. I update grades daily. You may access your child's current grades at any time at: <https://gradebook.everettsd.org/Wazzle/Gradebook/>. Please visit <https://www.everettsd.org/Page/20633> if you need help gaining access to your student's account.

- The Eisenhower Math Department grades on a percentage scale. Grades in this class are weighted as follows: 70% – Assessments, 20% - Quizzes, 10% – Homework.
- There is a direct correlation between students completing their homework on time and their success on assessments. Students can expect homework in math daily, but time spent on assignments should not exceed 20 minutes. I cannot stress enough the importance of keeping up with work and getting help right away! Extra help is available with an appointment. (See additional information below.) Please also see the "Homework" link on my website for detailed information about my homework policy.
- Test retakes will be administered for most instructional units should initial scores be unsatisfactory. To qualify for a retake, students must: complete all homework assignments from the unit prior to the test date, score lower than 87% on the first test attempt, and demonstrate increased understanding of assessed skills before qualifying for a test retake. I will always keep the highest test score in the gradebook, up to an 87%.

extra help: The absolute best reference tools students have will be their Open Up unit workbooks, and the Open Up website. However, I am happy to provide students with extra help upon request. While I usually have "open office hours" during lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays, I am also available at least one day after school each week by appointment to provide extra help. Students are responsible for making alternate transportation plans if they stay after school. Thank you! ☺



Please plan on attending Curriculum Night on Thursday, September 19 at 6:30 pm!

(I promise to make it entertaining! 😊)