

Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year!

## 6<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE MATH



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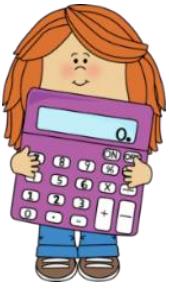
**how to contact me:** The best and most efficient way to connect with me is through email. I love to hear from you! It is my policy to respond to emails within 24 hours. I will only be available by classroom phone on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:30-10:45 a.m. (Please note that these days are subject to change. I will be sure to communicate any changes I make to my schedule.) Should I need to contact you via phone, I may call from a blocked number. Please consider picking up unidentified numbers if it's within school hours! 😊

*Parents - Join my Remind class and get text messages from me!*

6<sup>th</sup> grade: [www.remind.com/join/tsadowsky6](http://www.remind.com/join/tsadowsky6) • 8<sup>th</sup> grade: [www.remind.com/join/tsadowsky8](http://www.remind.com/join/tsadowsky8)

**daily expectations:** Every period will begin with a mandatory Zoom meeting. Attendance will be recorded, and students will be given the important instructional tools and essential information they need to successfully complete their work for the day. *Should logging on to Zoom present a challenge on any given day, please communicate with me so that we can plan accordingly.* Following the Zoom, students will complete independent (asynchronous) work. All assignments will be posted to Canvas, which can be accessed through the "Students" tab on the district website. *(Note: All of my 8<sup>th</sup> Grade classes are crosslisted, which means that every period is named "1<sup>st</sup> Period Math 8 > MTH801." I will teach students to change this during the first days of school.)* Daily work is designed to be completed within the timeframe of each assigned class period. Should students need additional time to complete their work, each day's assignments will be due for full credit by 7:30 a.m. the following school day. We will conclude each period with an *optional* Zoom for students who need extra help or have questions.

**curriculum and unit overview:** Our math curriculum, *Open Up Resources*, is an Open Education Resource, meaning that you are free to explore the entire curriculum online. We will be using the consumable curriculum workbooks along with a range of digital tools to achieve learning goals this year. *Please make arrangements with the Eisenhower office staff at (425) 385-7600 if you were unable to pick up your first few workbooks before the start of school.* Each grade level will cover eight instructional units. **Grade 6:** 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. **Grade 8:** Rigid Transformations and Congruence, Dilations, Similarity, and Introducing Slope, Linear Relationships, Linear Equations and Linear Systems, Functions and Volume, Associations in Data, Exponents and Scientific Notation, and Pythagorean Theorem and Irrational Numbers.



## **TIPS FOR SUCCESS IN OUR CLASS:**

- **ASK QUESTIONS** right away. Don't let confusion hold you back!
- **BE AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT** in zoom meetings!
- **LISTEN INTENTLY** to directions, explanations, & discussions.
- **COMPLETE ALL ASSIGNMENTS** on time.
- **TAKE NOTES.** Use them to review skills daily & to prepare for tests.

**Grading:** One of the most effective ways to keep informed about your student's progress and engagement is to log in to the online gradebook (<https://gradebook.everettsd.org/Wazzle/Gradebook>). I update grades daily. *Parents, if you need to set up a parent account to gain access to your student's gradebook, please visit <https://www.everettsd.org/Page/20633>.*

- The Eisenhower Math Department grades on a percentage scale. Grades in this class are weighted as follows: 60% - Assessments (Quizzes and Unit Tests), 40% - Independent Work.
- I cannot stress enough the importance of attending and actively participating in Zooms, keeping up with work, and getting help right away when needed! Please see information below regarding Office Hours. I am here to help! 😊

**Office hours:** I will be available for office hours to provide students extra help as follows:

**Email:** Monday-Friday, 7:30-7:50 a.m. (*While you are encouraged to email me at any time, this will be dedicated time when you can expect a quick reply from me.*)

**Phone:** Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:30-10:45 a.m.

**Zoom:** Monday-Friday, 2:35-3:00 p.m. *by appointment only.* Email me to make arrangements.

## **Please join me for a Zoom Conference!**

<https://everettsd.zoom.us/j/98507821698>

Choose your session on September 9, 10, or 11:

1:00 – 1:20 p.m.

1:30 – 1:50 p.m.

2:00 – 2:20 p.m.

2:30 – 2:50 p.m.



\*Please feel free to come to any *ONE* session that fits your schedule best. Conferences will be held as drop-in group sessions where we can meet "face-to-face" and I can help answer any questions you may have. I will email and post my presentation materials to my district classroom website by September 8 so that you can access essential information about my class at your leisure before you attend a conference. I hope you all can make it!