August 31, 2018

Dear Eighth Grade Students and Families,

Welcome to Math Enrichment class! Students will attend this class each Friday afternoon. This class will serve as an opportunity to take the skills and concepts you are learning in your leveled math class and apply them to real-world projects. We plan to target exploration in the following math strands: Geometry and Measurement, Probability and Data Analysis, Financial Literacy, and STEM. In addition, we will use this period for Scantron and HSPT prep.

**Grading**

The Math Enrichment classwork makes up 5% of your math grade in your traditional math class. Mr. Limarzi and Mrs. Ness will provide the grades to the appropriate teacher to enter into their gradebook. Grades in this class will be determined through classwork, participation, and project grades.

Weekly Classwork and Participation Grade

Each class period, students will receive a grade for the quality of work done during that period. The rubric for that grade is as follows:

* **100%**: Student is engaged in class content, working diligently either independently or with their partner(s) as assigned; student asks clarifying questions as needed; student is putting forth maximum effort
* **90%**: Student is active in class, however quality of work is not at the highest level; works well with classmates (when applicable)
* **80%**: Student completes work, but is easily distracted and not always on-task
* **70%**: Student must be consistently brought back to task; does not complete work
* **60%**: Student is not on task; does not complete work
* When a student is absent, they must make up the work. The teachers will grade all makeup work in accordance with the above rubric. If a student does not make up the missed work, they will receive a 60% for the classwork for the missed date.

Project Grades

Much of the work that will be completed during the math enrichment period will be done through project based learning. Each of the projects will be graded via a rubric that the students will receive with the project description.

We look forward to an interactive year together!

Sincerely,

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