

Supplies

Students are expected to come to class every day prepared with a pencil (no pens please), textbook, and completed assignment. We will be doing math “by hand” but should you want to purchase a calculator, the TI-30XIIS is acceptable (approximately \$13).

I am asking each student to have:

- A spiral bound notebook/Two pocket folder or a 3-ring binder
- Scientific Calculator

Items that would be welcomed and appreciated:

- Box of tissues
- Disinfectant wipes
- Antibacterial

Should you have financial difficulty, please do not hesitate to contact me: we'll find a way to get your child prepared!

Agenda/Materials

All assignments and the agenda for the week can be found on the planner webpage (lmsplanner8.weebly.com). You can also find copies of notes, worksheets, and other assignments on this website and in google classroom. If you ever have any questions on assignments or the agenda please don't hesitate to ask.

Units

Semester 1:

- **Prerequisite: Review**
- **Real Numbers and Pythagorean Theorem**
- **Transformational Geometry**
- **Measurement: Area/Volume of 3d Figures**

Semester 2:

- **Functions**
- **Linear Functions**
- **Solving Linear Systems**
- **Bivariate Data**
- **Exponents**



Mrs. Stark's Math 8



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Course Description

This course is designed to meet the common core standards for eighth grade. The focus of this course is: Transformational Geometry, Linear Functions/Systems, Non-linear Functions, and Statistics.

Wireless Communication Devices

Cell phones are to be set to silent during class and are kept in a pocket, not out on the desk. *Cell phones, iPods, or smart devices are not to be used during class.* Per the student handbook, I have the right to confiscate a cell phone should a student not follow this rule.

iPads

iPads were given to students as an educational tool and should be used as such. Students are expected to keep iPads closed on the desk unless an activity specifically involves the use of the iPad. Games, T.V. shows, Movies, and Pandora (during notes, tests, and cooperative work time) are all unacceptable uses of the iPads. I reserves the right to confiscate any iPad that is being used.



Extra Help

If your child needs additional help, our team of math teachers is available for help!

Math Lab:

Times will be determined within the first few weeks of school.

Students may use this time to receive one-on-one help, redo an assignment, prepare for an upcoming test, or simply complete the day's assignment

Classroom Expectations

Students are expected to follow school wide rules.

This is how the rules look in my classroom:

- *Be Respectful:* Is quiet when teacher is presenting, cleans up his/her own mess, is willing to help another student.
- *Be Responsible:* brings all materials to class, is on time to class, asks questions, seeks help when needed, shows all work.
- *Be Safe:* keeps all materials neatly on desk or under desk, keeps hands to him/herself, uses all materials correctly.

School Policies

Students are expected to abide by any and all rules set forth in their student handbook, such as cell phones, disrespect and insubordination, tardiness, absenteeism, truancy and dress code.

Absent Work

It is a student's responsibility to gather all notes, activities, and practice questions from an absence. Students should first check the weekly outline found on the planner webpage or in google classroom. Finally, an absent student may borrow another student's notebook, or get the notes from the webpage.



Missing the day of a test

Students are expected to complete a unit assessment on the scheduled date. If a student is absent on the day of the assessment, s/he must take the assessment within two days. Missing tests will be indicated in Power School using an "M". Failure to take an absent assessment will result in a permanent zero.

Retesting

Retesting will be built into the class this year. Each assessment will be analyzed; the lowest scoring "I Can" will be formally retaught and then reassessed on the next assessment. the better of the two scores will be recorded into Power School. Individualized retesting is not available this year.



Grading

Grading Procedure: Students' grades for each term are made up of three components.

Tests/Projects: 80% of total score

Practice: 20% of total score

Practice/Homework

Beginning August 29, 2016, your child will have an assignment each day. Usually there will be enough time in class to begin and finish the assignment. However, occasionally students will need to finish up at home. Unless stated otherwise, assignments will be due the next school day. It is your child's responsibility to complete the assignment on time and bring it to class. Students will also be responsible for finishing weekly standards on Kahn academy. They will be given time at the beginning and end of class to work on this.

Missing Assignments

Students are expected to complete practice assignments (i.e. homework) in a timely manner so they can take an active part in their learning. All practice/projects/in class assignments are due the next day of class unless otherwise stated. Missing work will be indicated in Power School using a zero and an M. Students will then be able to turn in their assignment for partial credit up to the date of the test. If a student chooses not to submit missing assignments by the date of the unit assessment, the score will become a permanent zero.