**8th grade Math Syllabus:**

**2019-2020 School Year**

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**Curriculum**

Arizona’s College and Career Ready Standards (AZCCRS) can be found at:

https://cms.azed.gov/home/GetDocumentFile?id=58546fbbaadebe13008c1a40

**Online Math Book & Websites for help:**

- Open-Up Resources—Illustrative Math  
  [https://im.openupresources.org/8/students/index.html](https://im.openupresources.org/8/students/index.html)
  - This is the online edition of the math work we do in class
- Khan Academy: [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)
  - Search for the topic you need help with and it will give you videos to teach you and then practice activities.
  - Set up an account and it will give you a short 10-question pretest to assess your level. It will then build you lessons on what you need to work on.
  - Lessons are from basic counting kindergarten work up through calculus
- Learn Zillion: [www.learnzillion.com](http://www.learnzillion.com)
  - Quality lessons and videos
- IXL math: [www.ixl.com](http://www.ixl.com)
  - Practice questions from kinder through geometry

**Tutoring**

Tuesday mornings from 8:00-8:30am and Wednesday afternoons from 3:30-4:00pm. Students need to bring work they need help on during tutoring time or questions where they need additional help.

**Cheating**

Sunset Ridge has a zero tolerance policy for any type of cheating in any class. Cheating is not only just copying work from another student or source, but cheating is also giving your work to another student to copy. If a student is caught cheating, you will lose all credit on the assignment resulting in a zero and receive an office referral. You cannot make up the assignment.

**Make-Up Work from Absences**

According to DVUSD policy, students will receive one day for every excused missed day to make up their work. It is the student’s responsibility to come to the teacher the first day back after an absence to find out what work was missed and to develop a plan to make up those assignments.

You will find the math notes on my math website each day. It is the student’s responsibility to get the notes and work for each day they are absent.
8th grade Math Grading Policy: Weighted per Quarter

- Assessments (tests and quizzes) 90%
  - Chapter tests are worth 100 points each. No notes allowed on chapter tests. Test retakes are allowed if the student scores less than a 70%.
  - Quizzes are worth between 20-30 points each. Notes are allowed on quizzes. No retakes are allowed on quizzes.
- Homework 5%
- Classwork, Warm-ups, and Exit Tickets 5%
- NO extra credit

2019-2020 Curriculum Plan (subject to change)

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Test Retakes

If a student scores less than a 70% on a chapter test, they may retake a new test over the material (one retake per test.) To retake a test, the student will need to show the teacher all the completed classwork, bellwork, exit tickets, and homework from that chapter, as well as get a form signed by parents. The student will need to then arrange a time with the teacher to come in before school, after school, or during lunch/recess to retake the test. The student has until the end of the quarter to retake the test. The higher of the two test scores is the score that will be entered into the gradebook. **There are NO retakes on any quizzes.**

Homework

All work must be shown to receive full credit. Students have a calendar of homework assignments, and they are also posted on the 8th grade math website. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to check the website to see what you need to complete.

Late Homework: Homework that is NOT DONE will be put into PowerSchools as a ZERO grade, and listed as “missing” until turned in. You have 3 school days in order to turn in missing work for reduced credit.

Homework is graded as follows:

- **5 points** – every question is complete, all work is shown for every problem
- **3 points** – student forgot to do a few questions, or no work is shown for a few problems
- **1 point** – student didn’t complete half of the homework or more, or student only wrote down answers for the homework, no work shown
- **0 points** – homework was not turned in

*If a student gets a 0 or a 1, they may show all their work and turn it in again within 3 school days to get the 3 point grade.*
Ms. Clarkson’s 8th Grade Math Class

Student & Parent Agreement: 2019-2020

To indicate that you have received and understand this Math course syllabus, please sign below and return.

Date ______________________________________

Print Student Name: ________________________________________________________________

Student Signature: __________________________________________________________________

Class Period Math _____________________

Print Parent Name: __________________________________________________________________

Parent Signature: __________________________________________________________________

Parent Emails: (please print neatly) I send out grade level newsletters, so please write down all email addresses
NEATLY for all family members who would like to receive the newsletters with reminders about what is going on in 8th
grade.

Mom email: ________________________________________________________________________

Dad email: ________________________________________________________________________

Any additional email addresses: ________________________________________________________________________

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Parent Cell Phone Numbers:

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