September 5, 2017

Dear Students and Families-

I hope that you have had a relaxing and enjoyable summer. The expectation for students over the summer was to complete five hours of math practice using IXL.com.

Your student has currently completed _____ hours and _____ minutes of practice since June 19, 2017.
This practice will be counted as a homework assignment in the first term. It is due by Friday September 8th at 2:40pm.

I am looking forward to working with you and getting to know you during this school year. This year in 7th and 8th grade Math we will be using the Eureka Math curriculum. You can find out more information about the program on their website www.greatminds.org. The Eureka program meets the Massachusetts Math standards which can be found on the following state website http://www.doe.mass.edu/frameworks/current.html.

Please review the information below that will help our classroom run smoothly; and please feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you.

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Daily Class Preparation: Coming to class prepared means arriving with the following items:
- A willingness to participate, persevere, and productively struggle while solving problems and making mistakes
- A growth mindset (the idea that your brain can change and learn) and curiosity
- Supplies: Agenda, Pencil, Math binder, Eureka Math workbook

Homework Policy and Homework Help:
- Each homework assignment is worth ten points and a total of ten assignments equal 100 points. If a student repeatedly misses homework they may be asked to stay after school to complete assignments.
- Depending on the assignment, students may turn in homework late for partial credit.
- Some homework assignments will be graded individually.
- I am available most days from 8:00 – 8:20am and 2:40 – 3:00pm for support with homework questions. Students may also work together on homework and use resources available to help them solve problems.

Grading:
- Tests & Projects 25%, Quizzes 25%, Class work 25%, Homework 25%

Self corrections:
- If a student earns a 65% or less on a test or quiz, he/she may earn additional points by self-correcting.
- Self corrections must be done in a different color pen than on the original test. All work must be shown and an explanation of the mistake should be included. Students should use their resources (book, notes, internet, and adults) to find the correct answer. Adults may help lead students to the correct answer but should not directly give the answer.

_____Parent Signature _____Student Signature

_____Print Parent Name _____Print Student Name