

Mathematics Syllabus

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Grades 6-8

Tests

Tests will occur at the end of each chapter and are worth 40% of the grade. Any and all test material will be directly taken from class notes, study guides, and the textbook. If a student has any incorrect answers on their test, they are able to complete test corrections for up to half credit. They will have a maximum of two days to complete any corrections. If a student is absent the day of the test, it is their responsibility to schedule a time to make-up the test. Larger class projects will count as test grades.

Quizzes

Quizzes will be given at or around the halfway point of each chapter that we cover throughout the year, and will count towards 30% of their grade. I will never give pop-quizzes. Similarly to tests, the students will always be made aware of when a quiz will be taking place at least three days in advance. At the end of the quarter, I will drop their lowest quiz grade. If a student is absent the day a quiz is given, it is their responsibility to schedule a time to make-up the quiz.

Homework

Homework assignments will be given periodically and will be worth 20% of the grade. I will try my best to grant as much time as possible during our class time so that the students are able to complete most if not all of the given problems with me there to help them if needed. Partial credit will be given as long as the student has shown their work! Late work will not be accepted 3 days after the initial due date, and it will count as a zero.

Classwork & Participation

There will be at least one classwork assignment given each week. These can take the form of a study guide, worksheets, or problems taken from the textbook. Classwork assignments will count towards 10% of the grade. Similar to test corrections, students have a maximum of two days to complete any wanted corrections. Students that refuse to complete classwork and homework assignments, do not participate in class, or continuously disrupt class may be given a demerit.

Extra Credit Opportunities

Explicit 'extra credit' assignments will not be given. Partial credit and bonus questions on all assignments, quizzes, and tests will be in its place. Students will have multiple chances throughout the year to collect bonus points to be added to an assignment of their choice. Most of these chances are participation-based.

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### **Contact Information**

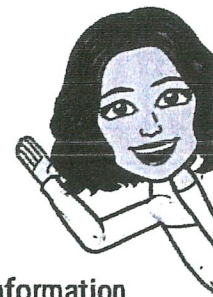
If there is any reason you should need to contact me, please send an email to [mskutack@lsaelementary.org](mailto:mskutack@lsaelementary.org). I will respond as soon as possible.

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**TESTS** are always announced and are worth 40% of the grade. All test material will be directly from information found in the textbook and class notes. Time permitting, tests will be sent home for students to **analyze their** mistakes and complete an "Error Analysis" form, which will allow them to earn some points back. If absent, it is the **student's responsibility** to arrange a time to make up that test. Class projects may also count as test grades.

**QUIZZES** will be administered every Friday (unless otherwise noted), and will be worth 30% of the grade. Material on these quizzes will include new concepts/skills that have been taught that week and may also contain cumulative information. One quiz grade will be dropped from each student's grade each quarter.

**CLASSWORK** is worth 10% of the grade and includes completing daily problems in class, paying attention, answering questions, copying notes, asking questions, engaging in class discussion, and correcting homework assignments. Students are expected to come to class prepared each day. Students that refuse to complete classwork assignments, do not participate in class, or continuously disrupt class may be given a demerit.

**HOMEWORK** is crucial to understanding the material that is taught in this course, and is worth 20% of the grade. Since the best way to learn math is to practice frequently, homework will be given almost every night. Students will have the opportunity to make up missed work until **ONE WEEK** after the assignment's due date. **After that time, no late work will be accepted.** Homework will be checked randomly and will be graded according to a four-point rubric. For example:

- Completed to the best of a student's ability and on time: 4/4
- Completed to the best of a student's ability, but late: 3/4
- Skipped the last few problems: 3/4
- Complete, no work shown: 2/4
- Late and incomplete: 1/4
- Not turned in after one week: 0/4

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**SPECTATOR SPORT**

**NO EXTRA CREDIT WILL BE OFFERED.** Instead, keep up with your work, try your best on **every** homework assignment, take advantage of error analysis when it is available, and ask questions when you have them.

\*Since organization and effort are critical to the learning process, students will be expected to maintain a neat and organized notebook. Students are expected to complete all of their notes and work in **pencil only**. When students are absent, it is **their responsibility** to gather and complete any work that was missed during that time. I appreciate your support in advance, and I am excited to begin another school year with all of you!

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may not teach us how to  
add love or minus hate.  
But it gives us every  
reason to hope that  
every problem has a  
SOLUTION...

Thank you,

Lori Singer