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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

I am Mrs. Trombley and I will be your math teacher this year. My desire is for each student to have a positive and successful experience in math. Because I want everyone to have a great year, there are a few things you will need to know.

Materials Needed by Monday, 9-12:

1. One 1" or 1.5" binder with 5 tabbed sections
2. Pencils
3. 1-subject spiral notebook to be kept in their binder
4. I have a class set of graphing calculators that will be used during class daily. You are not required, but may wish to purchase one for home use. The TI-84 Silver Plus Edition is highly recommended and will be used in 8th grade, as well.

Grades:

- Grades are based on the number of points received for homework, class work, projects, tests and quizzes. **Assessments are worth 80% and daily work 20% of their overall grade.**
- Each quarter is worth 23% of their final grade and their final exam is worth 8% of their final grade.

Homework:

- Students will receive a weekly skills packet each Monday that is due the following Monday. They will also receive lesson reflections that should be completed by the assigned due date.
- Late work will not be accepted. Students will be given a weekly homework check that counts as their homework grade for the week. Failure to complete work as it is assigned will result in poor homework check scores.
- Grading and homework policies may be flexed to meet special needs.

Communication:

- Please feel free to call or e-mail me with any questions or concerns.
- Weekly plans and announcements will be posted at <http://new.schoolnotes.com>. If you have any questions about what we did in class on any particular day, visit my page on School Notes, as all of the assignments are listed.
- All parents with Internet access will have the ability to monitor progress and check student grades at any time using Powerschool. The school will provide you with your username and password. Progress reports will be handed out to students periodically, but not on a regular basis, as they now have the ability to see their grade at any time.

Curriculum:

- Visit http://corestandards.org/assets/CCSSI_Mathematics_Appendix_A.pdf (pages 126-135) for the standards that will be covered this year.

I am looking forward to working with you and assisting you in continuing to develop a passion for learning. I am confident a successful year awaits us!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Trombley

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THIS SHEET ONLY.

Math Hour _____

PLEASE SIGN AND RETURN THIS SLIP BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th.

My child, _____, and I have reviewed the
Student's Name
classroom guidelines for Mrs. Trombley's math class.

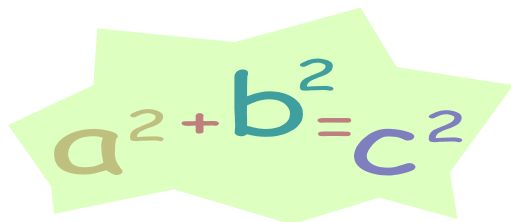
Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

E-mail Address I may use to contact you. You may list more than one if applicable.

Questions/Comments/Concerns (Feel free to brag about your child, too)

Mrs. Trombley's Class Procedures



Behavioral Expectations:

- **Be prepared** by having your binder, homework and a pencil EVERY day.
- **Be on time** for class.
- **Be considerate** of others. Keep your hands, feet and negative opinions to yourself. Listen to others while they are speaking (this includes me).
- **Be respectful** of the materials in the classroom and the materials that belong to you and other students.
- **Be responsible** for your learning. Listen during instruction. Ask for help when you need it. Be an active member of the class.

Sequence of Topics Covered:

- Integers
- Rational and Irrational Integer Applications
- Exponents and Scientific Notation
- Expressions, Equations and Inequalities
- Proportionality and Linear Relationships
- Percents
- Similarity and Transformations
- Angles and Similarity
- Surface Area of Solids
- Volume of Solids
- Sampling and Inference
- Probability

Homework:

- YOU NEED TO DO IT!!! Late work will not be accepted. However, see me if special circumstances arise.
- Homework is due the following day at the BEGINNING of class unless otherwise specified. You will be given a weekly homework check that counts as your homework grade for the week. In order to be successful you must complete the work and make the necessary corrections.
- You will receive a skills packet every Monday. It is due the following Monday.

Starters:

- Pick up a starter sheet from every Monday. You will use the same sheet all week.
- You are expected to begin working on the starter immediately and will have approximately 5 minutes to complete it.
- Starters will be included in the weekly homework checks.

Absences:

- It is your responsibility to find out what you missed!
- If you are absent, look at the assignment board to see what you missed. Extra copies are located in the classroom EXTRA'S BIN or on the class website. You have 1 day for each day absent to make it up. Please speak to me if you are absent for an extended period of time. I will work with you on quiz/test make-ups and due dates.

Personal Organization:

- You will need a 1-inch or 1.5-inch binder and five tabbed sections. You are expected to maintain your binder and use it to organize your assignments, notes, tests and quizzes. There is a place for you to store your binder in the classroom, if so desired.
- You may take binders home as long as you bring them back the next day.
- You will take an end of the year assessment and maintaining your binder will be a tremendous help to you in the long-run.

Extra Credit:

- Extra credit is offered on a weekly basis. You will find a new opportunity each Monday.
- Each weekly extra credit sheet is worth 2 points.
- You may also receive 1 point for each "All Done Take One" sheet completed correctly. You may only complete one of each sheet. New opportunities will appear on a monthly basis.
- All extra credit must be turned in by Friday of each week.

Games:

- There are a variety of games located in the classroom. You may play with the games if you have finished the work for that day. They may not be played during instruction.
- Make sure all of the game pieces are returned to the proper box or container and returned in a timely fashion.
- Failure to take proper care of the games or arguing over the games will result in the loss of this privilege.

Options When Finished Early:

- Work on your skills packet.
- Work on the available extra credit.
- Review your math flash cards or other study helpers created in class.
- Play in-class games.
- Read a book.
- Work on assignments from another class.

****You should keep this sheet for future reference.**