

Summer Math for Incoming 7th and 8th Grade

Dear Parents and Students,

I hope you are doing well and that you are looking forward to a wonderful summer with your family. As we prepare for the next year of middle school, I would like to take this opportunity to share my plans for this year's summer work. I understand the importance of a well-balanced summer that combines relaxation and family time with academic engagement. With this in mind, I have designed our math summer work to focus on reinforcing the foundational skills that are fundamental to your child's success in the upcoming school year. The main objectives of the summer math work are to strengthen foundational skills, prevent summer learning loss, and to build confidence.

To complete your summer work, you will need to log into ixl. The assignments can be found in the IXL quiz section, where you will find three math quizzes. The goal is to spread out practice: one quiz in June, one in July, and one in August. Once completing the first quiz, you should spend some time practicing the IXL sections of the questions you got wrong. It will say the section you should practice on top of the question. Practice those sections a couple of times a week. If you are still getting them wrong, make sure you read the explanation of how to do it correctly. Come the end of July, when you take your second quiz, you are going to do much better! By the time you complete the third quiz, you should feel confident in these concepts.

For the summer work grade, I will choose your highest quiz grade to enter into the grade book - it is worth 25 points. You will take your fourth and final quiz here in our classroom. That quiz will be just like the other three; it is also worth 25 points. These will be your first grades in math and hopefully you will be starting off strong!

I understand that summers can be busy for families at different times. While the goal is to complete one quiz per month, that might not be feasible depending on your plans. The grade will be based on finishing all quizzes by August 31st. **Work completed after this deadline, although great, WILL NOT be counted towards your grade.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me:

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Thank you for your support!

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