**Objective**

The objective of Math 8 is to learn mathematic concepts that will aide you to be successful in Mathematics in High School. There will also be a state an exam(May 1- 3, 2018) we will be preparing for while learning these mathematic concepts. The year will conclude with a Final Exam on the material learned this school year.

**Grading Policy**

**Tests 35% -** Tests will occur at the end of each Unit and will assess the material learned during the Unit.

**Quiz 30%** - Quizzes will occur during a Unit and are correctable (See Quiz Corrections Policy section of the syllabus). You will also have pop quizzes through the year on various skills and are not correctable (example: Exponent Rules and Perfect Squares/Roots).

**Homework 20%** - Daily Homework will be graded out of 4 points. Throwback Thursday Assignments will be out of 10 points.

**Bell Ringers 10%**- There will be Daily Bell Ringers and at the end of the week the Daily Bell Ringer sheet will be collected and graded. Each weekly Bell Ringer sheet is out of 5 points.

**Other 5%** - Binder Checks and Goal Sheets

**Homework Policy**

Each homework assignment is out of 4 points. Homework is due at the beginning of class.

**Homework Rubric**

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| **4 points** | **3 points** | **2 points** | **1 point** | **0 points** |
| -Attempted 100% of the problems assigned | -Attempted  75% of the problems assigned | -Attempted 50% of the problems  assigned | -Attempted less than 50% of the problems | -Attempted 1 or no problems |

**Late Homework:** Late homework will be accepted, but you have one week from the day it was assigned to make it up and earn half credit (2 out of 4 points).

- When you turn in your late assignment you need to staple a filled out Pink Slip to your assignment. If you fail to attach the Pink Slip the assignment will be returned to you, ungraded, until you have attached the pink slip. A parent or guardian’s signature is required on all of these slips.

**Absent Homework:**

* Absent the day homework is due, turn it in the day you return in the cart in the proper folder.
* Absent the day homework is assigned: You have one week from the day you were absent to hand it in on time, before points are deducted for tardiness. Turn this in the cart in the proper folder
* Before you turn in your absent homework please staple a filled out blue Absent Homework Slip. If you do not the assignment will be returned to you, ungraded, until you fill out and attach the Absent Homework Slip.

\*Late and absent homework needs to be turn into your class period’s folder in the black cart.

**Bell Ringer Procedure**

Everyday when you enter class you will need to complete the Bell Ringer in pencil after you have read the smartboard for your daily instructions. The bell ringer will be a past or present skill. We will go over the Bell Ringer problem(s) each day and it is your job to correct it with red pen. If you did the problem correct you will need to put a star, smiley face, or 100% on that day in red pen. If you do not use the red pen you will not earn the credit for that day. If you are absent it is your responsibility to copy that days problem in red ink either from a peer or from my Bell Ringer Binder. Each week you will receive a new bell ringer sheet.

**Quiz Correction Policy**

When you complete Quiz Corrections you can receive up to half credit back. It is important to correct your quizzes to master the skill and improve for the Unit Test. How to do Quiz corrections will be explained, in detail, when your first quiz is graded and returned. Quiz Corrections are required to be completed on the Quiz Corrections form. This is in the cart in the back of the classroom. When Quiz Corrections are completed staple your quiz and your correction sheet together and place in the Quiz Correction folder. If one of these is missing your corrections will not be graded. I do not grade corrections until the due date given. The due date is usually a week after the Quiz has been returned to you. Please take advantage of corrections and stay after school if you need help on these.

**After School Help**

After School Help will be available if Mrs. Burdick does not have a meeting. The Weekly After School Help Schedule is posted in the classroom. You need to bring enough work to fill the majority of the after school time. This time is to be productive and receive the help you need to succeed.

**Paper Heading**

On all papers you will need your name, class period, and date. If the assignment is on loose leaf you will need to write the assignment as well. If you fail to put your name on your assignment, practice, or activity it will be placed in the No Name bins in the back of the classroom without being graded. This will remain a zero in the grade book until you put your name on it and hand it into the late file. You will lose credit on no name papers (This varies depending on the points assigned to the item).

**Beginning of Class**

When you enter the class always read the smart board for your daily instructions. You should always go to your file and retrieve the papers from in it. When the bell rings you should be in your assigned seat, sitting quietly, with your homework out, and working on your bell ringer.

**Retraining Slips**

All students are expected to be positive and active participants. In this math classroom, students are expected to behave appropriately. If a student decides to display inappropriate behavior in class or incorrect behaviors discussed within the student handbook, he or she will be given a Retraining Slip. When a student receives a Retraining Slip, he or she is expected to make an appointment with Mrs. Burdick, to stay after school to practice the behavior in question. If a student decides to skip this appointment, the consequence will be a write up.

**Throwback Thursdays**

Each Monday you will receive a Throwback Thursday that will be due on Thursday. You can turn in late on Friday for up to 7 points. There are no corrections. Stay after school if you need help.

**Supplies**

2 inch binder Loose Leaf Paper

#2 pencils or 7mm mechanical pencils Eraser or Cap Erasers

Red Pen (no other color allowed) 5 tab dividers for binder

Eraser or Cap Erasers Pencil Pouch

Highlighters \*Colored Pencils \*Scientific Calculator TI34 Multi-View

\*Optional: I have these items to use in my classroom. All other supplies you will need to provide for yourself.

**Binder Set Up**

* The pockets of your binder are for papers you are currently working on. (Bell Ringer, HW, TBT, Quiz Corrections)
* The first paper will be this syllabus followed by your syllabus.
* Next will be your dividers. Label them:
  + Notes
  + Quiz/Tests
  + Bell Ringers/Practice
  + Homework
  + Reference
* It is your responsibility to keep your binder organized!

**Cell Phones**

Cell phones can only be used in this classroom when you obtain permission from Mrs. Burdick. If you decide to use your cell phone without permission I will take it until 2:13pm. If you continually use your cell phone without permission I will be taking it to the main office and filling out a write up.

**Please return this page by**

**Thursday September 14, 2017.**

Student Sign:

I , \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, have read, listened, and understood the expectations Math 8.

Parent/Guardian Sign & Fill in:

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, have read and understood the Syllabus for Math 8.

The best way to reach me is by

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_