

Middle School Math Classroom Grades 6, 7R, 8R

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You are more than welcome to contact me anytime.

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I am at St. Joseph's on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

There are double length Math classes on Mondays & Wednesdays,

And a Single Class on Thursday

No Math classes on Tuesday, Fridays.

I can 'stay after' on Thursdays until 3:20.

You are able to view all the grades through the parent portal.

The students have the opportunity to raise a poor grade,

For an in-class Test or Quiz

The corrections **must be made with me soon**

After the original date of the test/quiz

The student should meet with me either during Learning Labs (last class)
on Wednesday or Thursday, or Thursday after school.

You are welcome to be present if your child stays after on Thursday to
make the corrections.

Parents of Six-graders:

Six graders come to Math class from lunch on Mondays and Wednesdays. These students should stop at their lockers and get drinks BEFORE coming to the classroom.

Once they arrive, they should know they need to get their folders from their mailbox and begin to work on a couple problems posted on the smartboard for only a few minutes. At the end of the week, I will post either a 0,1,2,3 out of 3 points in the gradebook to indicate how well the student did on these 'Math Moments' warm ups. A 3 would indicate they got 'right to work' each of the 3 days. A zero would indicate that on none of the 3 days did the student get 'right to work'.

FOR ALL CLASSES:

A green pencil or pen needs to be brought to each class, so students can make corrections on homework, prior to handing the assignment in.

HOMEWORK GRADES

Most homework assignments will be graded on a scale of 0 to 5. Occasionally, I may grade an assignment on a scale of 0 to 10; in effect, those assignments count double. Homework may be graded on any or all of the following:

Timeliness: Homework is due *at the beginning* of the period. Late homework will receive a reduced grade: homework one day late will receive no more than a 4 (or an 8 on 10-point assignments). Homework more than one day late but before the unit test will receive no more than a 3 (or a 6). Homework ***will not be accepted after the unit test.***

Completeness: All assigned problems are expected to be done.

Accuracy of work and answers: In math, both the *process* (how you get your answer) and the *result* (what you get) are important. If your method is *wrong*, you should not expect credit just because your answer is "right." If many of your answers are wrong, you should *not* expect full credit just because you "tried" them.

Following directions: Failure to follow directions will usually result in lost credit.

Materials (worksheets)

www.Engageny.org

Common Core is a nationwide effort to have all the students in the United States improve their reasoning abilities

St. Joseph's has elected to follow the curriculum that **engageny.org**

Provides to meet this effort