

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to a new school year! I am Desirae Cohn. I'm a proud wife, mother, and your child's math teacher! I'm excited to have your child in my class this year and I am really looking forward to a great year of hard work and growth together.

Below are some very important details about being successful in 6th grade math. Please keep in mind that 6th grade math is/can be rigorous. With that being said, please make sure your student stays on top of his/her assignments as well as homework. The coursework and expectations will be geared toward advanced academic achievement.

Below you will find a list of basic expectations for our class. All parents and students are expected to read over this document carefully and send/ask- for clarity on any questions you may have.

Thank you again for a great start to the year. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns. Email will be the most reliable way to reach me.

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6th Grade Math

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I understand that this is the Advanced Academic Curriculum Math course, which covers both 6 th grade and half of 7 th grade math. I understand that AAC Math moves at an accelerated pace and is preparing students for high school Algebra in 8 th grade.	Student Initial	Parent Initial
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SUPPLIES (Needed in class every day, starting Monday) 2 Composition Notebook• 2 Folders (MATH NOTES AND CLASSWORK and one MATH HOMEWORK)• 2 Glue Sticks or Tape• 3 Pencils with working erasers• Highlighters• Colored markers, and/or colored pencils• 2 dry erase markers• An eraser (An old sock does the trick!)		
I have all of my supplies. OR o I am still missing _____ but will have them _____ (date)	Student Initial	Parent Initial

HOMEWORK: Students will receive homework almost every night. Homework must be completed thoroughly in order to reinforce and master the content. Daily homework grades are given on a work shown and completion basis and will not be accepted late. Four daily homework assignments will consist of one Homework Check Daily Grade, meaning that if a student completes all four, she/he will get a 100. THIS MEANS THAT COMPLETING HOMEWORK WILL BOOST A STUDENT'S GRADE. (Extra Credit) Homework assignments are posted in the classroom as well as on Schoology.

I understand the homework policy above and expect to complete my homework out of four days on a regular basis.

Student Initial

Parent Initial

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GRADING: 50% of your child's grade will be based on Daily Grades. Daily Grades consist of Homework Checks, Graded Assignments, and Quizzes. We will have a quiz or graded assignment almost every week. The other 50% will come from Major Grades, which are tests and occasionally projects. I will take at least 6 Daily Grades and 3 Major grades every nine weeks.

TESTING AND RE-TESTING: The 6th Grade Math Team at DCMS wants to ensure our students are mastering the TEKS as outlined by the district. We implement a Progressive Testing policy, so ALL students will have the opportunity to show deeper understanding of tested concepts on subsequent tests. In a single grading period, Test 1 will be all new material. Test 2 will be 50% new material and 50% material from Test 1. If a student scores higher on Test 2 than Test 1, the Test 2 grade will replace the Test 1 score. Test 3 will be 50% new material and 50% material from Test 2. If a student scores higher on Test 3 than Test 2, the Test 3 grade will replace the Test 2 score.

I understand the Grading and Test/Retest Policy.

Student Initial

Parent Initial

LATE WORK AND ABSENCES: Daily homework needs to be done in a thorough and timely manner and brought back to class complete every day. Daily Homework is due in class the next day and is not accepted late. Students who are absent are expected to cover the material missed with the resources on Schoology, including videos, classwork, and homework. If a student is absent and unable to work at home, please communicate with me so we can come up with an appropriate timeline for completing the work.

I understand the Absence/Late Work Policy.

Student Initial

Parent Initial

TUTORIALS: The 6th Grade Math Team has a weekly morning tutorial at 8:20 am (unless otherwise noted in the parent newsletter/Schoology.) The tutorials are divided by grade and level. To attend, just come to the front of the school by 8:20 am or as soon as your bus gets to school, he/she would be given a tutorial pass by teacher the day before that would need to be shown to attend tutorials. All 6th Grade AAC Math students are encouraged to come have their individual questions answered and finish assignments.

I understand when and where the weekly tutorials are held.

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<p>ONLINE LEARNING MANAGEMENT- SCHOOLGY•. 6th Grade AAC Math utilizes Schoology to keep organized. Students will find daily videos, notes, classwork, homework, and answer keys as well as schedules, calendars, and folders with parent information, unit plans, and past assignments. Students will need to access Schoology often, especially:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When they don't finish or understand classwork, in order to get the lesson again • When they are absent and need to watch the videos, take the notes, and do the classwork and homework to stay on pace with the class Each evening, after completing homework, to check with the answer key • Taking an online test or quiz in class (classroom devices are available.) 		
<p>I have done the following (please check the boxes) Logged in to Schoology Helped my child/parent log in to Schoology Explored the AAC Math Schoology page, including all of this week's lessons</p>	Student Initial	Parent Initial