Welcome to 7th Grade! Mathematics Syllabus

Instructor Information

Instructor: Ms. S. Stevens Room Number: 18 Email: sstevens@cleveland.k12.ms.us Planning Period: 11:00 am - 12:12 pm Meeting Availability: 11:15 am – 11:45 am, 3:45 pm – 4:15 pm Monday - Thursday

Course Description

In Grade 7, instructional time will focus on four critical areas: (1) developing understanding of operations with rational numbers and working with expressions and linear equations; (2) developing understanding of and applying proportional relationships; (3) solving problems involving scale drawings and informal geometric constructions, and working with two- and three-dimensional shapes to solve problems involving area, surface area, and volume; and (4) drawing inferences about populations based on samples.

The standards will be taught according to the following schedule:

1st Nine Weeks

- Adding and Subtracting Rational Numbers
- Equivalent Expressions

2nd Nine Weeks

- Equations and Inequalities
- Rates and Proportions
- Geometry (Similar Figures)

3rd Nine Weeks

- Random Samples and Inferences
- Probability of Events
- Geometry (Angles and Triangles)
- 4th Nine Weeks
 - Area, Surface Area, and Volume

Grading Policy

The following outlines the grade distribution for this course

- Classwork and Homework (50%) Includes classwork (15%), participation: bell work & exit tickets (10%), quizzes (25%)
- Tests & Mastery Checks (50%)

Grading and Evaluation

The following outlines the grading scale for this course:

90 – 100 = A (Excellent) 80 – 89 = B (Above Average) 70 – 79 = C (Average) 60 – 69 = D (Below Average) 0 – 59 = F (Failing)

Organizational Requirements

Supplies needed for class:

- 1 ¹/₂ of 2 inch binder
- Pencil Pocket
- Pencils or Pens (either is fine with me)
- 5 tab divider

Make Up Work Policy

Students have the number of school days they miss to make up any missed work (ex. if they miss 4 school days, they have 4 school days to turn in **all** of the work that they missed). Any work that is not made up in this time will be graded as a zero (0) – there will be **no exceptions**.

Homework and Late Work Policy

There will be **no official homework** given in this class! Most daily grades (G1 assignments) will come from **classwork that students start in class** and **can finish at home** if they do not finish the assignment in class. These classwork assignments will be graded for participation

and are due at the beginning of the next class period – **any classwork assignment not turned in at the beginning of the next class period will be graded as a zero (0)!**

If a classwork assignment is graded for accuracy, late assignments will be **penalized 10 points** for every day that they are late.

Extra Credit Policy

No extra credit will be given on an **individual basis** – if extra credit is offered, it will be offered to the entire class so that it is fair to everyone.

Academic Dishonesty

Cheating and plagiarism or involvement will result in a zero (0) for the assignment and a parent/guardian phone call or meeting. Cheating includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

- Copying the work of other students
- Letting other students copy your work (even if it is only 1 or 2 problems)
- Passing off someone else's work as your own

Rules and Expectations

Students are expected to come to class everyday prepared and ready to learn with a positive attitude. Students are required to act in a behavior conducive to learning, according to Cleveland School District code of conduct, the rules established by Cleveland Central Middle School, and my classroom rules and procedures. If students are not able to follow the expectations, they will be disciplined according to the to the steps and procedures detailed in the Student Handbook.

Additional Information

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns! I look forward to working with all of you this year. Go Wolves!