

### **Important Information**

Math 7 (2019-2020)

Teacher: Mrs. Cheryl Hanselman

**My contact information:** [chanselman@ledyard.net](mailto:chanselman@ledyard.net) OR LMS office (860-464-0200)

**Parent contact information:** Please make sure to complete and return the last page of this packet to let me know how to best contact you. Form should be returned by Wednesday, September 4.

**My website:** [lmshanselman.weebly.com](http://lmshanselman.weebly.com)

- \*Find tentative list of weekly topics, announcements of quizzes, tests, and other assignment
- \*Find daily homework assignment with links to copies of worksheets and homework
- \*Find copy of e-book (Username and password will be given to students)
- \*Find copies of class notes listed on the date given (found under homework for that day)

#### **Required Materials to bring each day to class:**

\***Separate** math binder(2-2 $\frac{1}{2}$  in) The only papers to be kept in this binder are **math** papers.

\*three dividers: notes, assignments, quizzes (May be 3-hole pocket folders)

\*pencil pouch with sharpened pencils, correcting pen (not black), extra erasers and/or lead for mechanical pencils. ALL math work needs to be done in PENCIL.

\*textbook is 3-hole punched and expected to be protected in the binder

\*\*Please let me know if there are any financial hardships for getting the required materials and I will try my best to find materials for your child.

\*Agenda and traveler

#### **About Our Textbook:**

\*Our textbook is paperback and has two volumes. At the end of the year students will keep their textbooks as a resource for eighth grade. Volume 2 will be issued later in the year.

\*Online resources can be found on this website: [www.connected.mcgraw-hill.com](http://www.connected.mcgraw-hill.com) Students will be given passwords to use this resource. It includes an online copy of the book.

#### **Other Math tools needed:**

\*Calculators (TI30x) will be available for in-class work. For work done outside of class, students will need their own calculators.

**Please note:** There are some units in Math 7 for which we do not use calculators. If your child does not know their basic facts, he/she should be working on learning them at home.

## Final Grade is Weighted

**\*40% Tests** - These unit exams may NOT be retaken. It is important that students keep their quiz averages high (see below) so that if they do poorly on the cumulative test, their overall average will not be impacted significantly.

**\*35% Quizzes** -Students will be given the opportunity, and they are encouraged to retake quizzes. Mastery on quizzes will prepare students for the cumulative tests. The higher grade is recorded in powerschool with previous quiz grade(s) recorded under comments.

**\*10% Daily Homework Assignments** (Grade based on effort, completion, and work shown)

**\*15% Other Assignments** includes in-class assignments, performance tasks, journal/warm-up entries, selected homework problems chosen to be graded on correctness, spot checks on math binders...

## Homework Policies:

\*It is the student's responsibility to copy assignments correctly into his/her agenda from the assignment board in class. Extra copies of handouts are clipped to the assignment board or they can be downloaded from my website. If a student forgets his/her book, the e-textbook can be used.

\*Students must have their completed homework with them when they come to class. Late homework is NOT accepted (except when a student is absent). Students will not be allowed to go to their lockers during class to get their homework and they may NOT turn it in later in the day for credit. "My internet was not working," "My mom is bringing it to school later," or a parent note are NOT acceptable reasons to not have an assignment completed and in one's possession at the beginning of class. During each marking quarter, I excuse (without penalty) three missing assignments. This is for emergency situations that arise. Zeros will be recorded so powerschool will record an F. Homework will be adjusted in powerschool at the end of the marking period.

\*Homework should be done in pencil.

\*Students are expected to show work as shown in class notes. "Answers only" are not enough to get full credit for a completed homework assignment. I do occasionally give a No Work Needed (NWN) assignment.

\*Daily homework is graded on a four point system with a quick check at the beginning of class. Occasionally homework will be collected and looked at more closely. Students are responsible to correct their homework at the beginning of class.

4-ALL problems are attempted and sufficient work is shown. If you are unsure of how to do a problem, you must show me what you tried to do or write a question that shows me what you didn't understand about the homework problem. "I don't know", "?", "I don't understand", and blank spaces will not receive full credit.

3-MOST problems are attempted and most work is shown.

2-ABOUT HALF of the assignment is completed and/or work shown

1-VERY LITTLE of the assignment is completed and/or work shown. "Answers only" papers receive a "1" unless NWN (No Work Needed) has been specified for that assignment.

0-Assignment not attempted or not in class on time.

## **Absences:**

\*Recovering from a missed math class can sometimes be difficult. Notes and assignments from the missed class can be accessed on my website. If students are unable to print notes at home, they can use my computers/printer during homeroom. They should use the online resources (textbook videos) for the lesson missed and if needed plan to stay for help on an "after school help" day. There will be an "absent" folder on my desk for students to turn in missed assignments from absences.

\* If students are absent from class one day, the missed assignments should be turned in within two days. If students are absent on the day of a quiz or test, students are expected to take the quiz or test the day they return. For absences longer than one day, students should see me to get a timeline for making up work.

\*For students who are not absent from school, but miss math because of band lessons (or a field trip...) homework due that day should be turned in BEFORE band lesson(or leaving for field trip...) and students should see me afterwards to get the missing notes and assignment. They can also get these from my website. Students are responsible for all missed work. Being at band lesson or a field trip is NOT an excuse for not having homework from the day of the lesson or trip when they return to class the following day.

## **Rules for Our Classroom:**

- 1) Be on time, on task, and totally PREPARED to learn EVERYDAY.  
#homework not optional #pencils required
- 2) RESPECT the teacher, the classroom, other students, and yourself. #be nice #believe in yourself  
#believe you can be successful in math class #be kind to others
- 3) Be RESPONSIBLE for your own learning. #work hard #persevere #ask questions #stay on task  
#stay for after school help
- 4) CLEAN up after yourself. #not your mom #put away table supplies properly

\*\*School rule regarding electronics is effective in the classroom too.

## **Your actions...your consequences**

#verbal and nonverbal reminders #chat with teacher #lunch detention  
#chat with your parents #after school detention #grades affected by homework zeroes

**Please tear off this page**, fill out the information below and return to Mrs. Hanselman by Tuesday, September 4. Keep the other pages at home for you to reference as necessary. Students will be given another copy to keep in their math binders.

My child and I have read and understand the expectations for Mrs. Hanselman's Math 7 class.

Student Name (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_ Block \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Contact Information (Please print)

Name(s)

E-mail(s)

Phone contact(s)

Let me know if it is home or cell so I know if I can text you.

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Please share any information which you think would be important for me to know in order for me to better help your child have a successful year in mathematics this year.