



8th Grade Math Newsletter 2019-2020

Ms Giblin – August 2019

Welcome Back!!!

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. I am excited to have a great start to the year. I hope that all of my students have a successful year and develop greater mathematical knowledge, thinking, and reasoning.

I would like to take this chance to introduce myself. I am Ashley Giblin and I will be your math teacher this year. I am originally from Pittsburgh, PA and have lived in Charlotte for 11 years. I have been teaching middle school mathematics for 11 years. I have three children: Vayda is 9, Kalissa is 7 and Gregg is 3. I am so very excited to meet all of you and begin our year together!

Class Expectations

1. Be prepared and ready to learn:
Bring all materials, be on time, start warm-up immediately, participate in class, ask questions, and have completed homework ready.
2. Respect the rights and properties of others: Have a positive attitude and be courteous to all people and their belongings.
3. Follow directions and procedures:
Raise your hand and wait to be recognized, stay on task, and remain seated unless otherwise directed.

Percentages for Grading

| Math 8 | |
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| 55% | Assessments |
| 35% | Classwork |
| 10% | Homework |

Math 8

- Assessments will consist of tests and quizzes that will take place during class
- Classwork is all work that is completed in class. Weekly Math is part of Classwork
- Homework is work that has been completed outside of class time. This should be completed and turned in the day after it is assigned



Student Work

All work must be done on time. All math work should be done in pencil. Work must be shown on all assignments (unless indicated otherwise). Papers will not be accepted unless work is shown. ***Routine homework and classwork will not be accepted late and will result in a zero.*** Homework will be assigned daily. Homework should be written in the student agenda. Weekly Math will be assigned each week; the assignment will be completed in class. Students will have 30 minutes to work prior to the pre-check. After the pre-check is returned, students will have 20 minutes to make corrections and complete. Math binders may be checked periodically throughout the year. Students are expected to keep their notes neat and organized within their binders. Students should expect a quiz or test each week. Dates for tests will be announced in advance. IXL assignments will be given during each unit of study.



Tests and Quizzes

Tests and quizzes must be finished during the class period.

Tutoring

Tutoring will be available on Wednesday mornings at 8:00 am. Additional days and times may be provided as needed.

Class Website

Canvas will be used as the class website. Students are automatically enrolled in my Canvas course. Parents can sign up to become an observer within the Canvas course.

Student Progress

Student grades will be posted on Power School. Please check regularly.

Absences

It is the student's responsibility to find out about missing work. After writing down the missed work, students should see me regarding any notes or worksheets and to schedule make-ups for quizzes and tests. There are two days, for every absent day, to complete the work and get it turned in to me.

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