

Syllabus – 7th Grade Math (Course 2)

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After reading this with your parents please sign the signature sheet (both you and your parent/guardian) and turn it in by Friday August 29. **Please keep this in your math binder so that you and your parents can refer to it throughout the year.**

Welcome to the 7th grade!

If you have any questions, I can be reached at rgammon@merkelisd.net, or by phone at 325-513-1128.

I also have a class website at <http://coachgammon7thmath.weebly.com>. This site has many different things that may help you this year. I will go over it with you in class.

Materials needed:

- 1 – 1" 3-ringed binder (for homework, classwork, and notes)
- 300 count lined paper
- pencils
- erasers
- pens (**any color except black**)
- 1 bradded folder with pockets

Course:

To be successful in this course, you will need to attend class on a regular basis, do all assigned homework, be prepared for class by bringing materials, ask questions, and have a good attitude. These things will not only make you successful in this class, but also in life.

This is the first year of our newly adopted math series, GoMath. It is workbook-style textbook that contains both the textbook and the homework. **MANY** additional math materials are available online, including homework help, instructional videos, student text, and other helpful items. Parents, I will review this site with the students, but they will probably need to review the site more thoroughly with you. During the first week of class, you will receive a login ID and password for the website which is located at <http://my.hrw.com>.

One of your greatest reference tools is your math book; however, the book is not a substitute for being at school. Everyone will be issued a math book that will stay in the classroom. At the start of each new unit, you will remove the entire unit and place it in the bradded folder, which may be taken home for homework and study.

Classroom Rules/Absences/Makeup Work:

School rules and classroom rules are posted in the room. I will go over rules and procedures the first week of school. Please refer to the student handbook for our

school's discipline plan, procedures, and expectations.

It is the student's responsibility to get makeup work upon return from an absence. Each lesson and assignment will be posted on my class website under the Calendar/Homework. Each day's lesson notes can be found by clicking on the appropriate lesson link.

Homework/Class Work Policy:

You are expected to come to class prepared to learn. This means having homework assignments completed BEFORE class starts every day, having a pen, a pencil, paper, and a good attitude. We all have "bad days" from time to time, but let's **all** make a conscious effort to leave any discouraging words, thoughts, and attitudes at the door. Also, I will drop the lowest homework grade each 6 weeks.

Homework must be completed in pencil, and all problems must be written down, worked out and at least **attempted** in the way shown in class in order to receive credit for the assignment. **YOU MUST SHOW ALL WORK ON HOMEWORK, TESTS, AND QUIZZES TO RECEIVE CREDIT!** Please make sure that you bring a pen to class every day (any color except black) for checking homework assignments. If the homework is not complete, the student will be sent to detention the next day to complete the assignment and will receive no higher than a 70%.

Multiplication Facts:

You **MUST** know your multiplication facts through the 10's. It is **ESSENTIAL** that you know these facts as soon as possible, because much of what we do in 7th grade math assumes that you know them. If you are having trouble memorizing them, please see me and I can give you some strategies to help. There will also be some flashcards in the room that students may use to study.

Grading:

Grades will consist of tests, quizzes, homework, and class work. Homework, quizzes and daily work will be 70% and tests will be 30% of the final grade.

For Parents:

- I will answer emails during my planning time or after school.
- Planning time: 10:53-11:37
- Please do not call at times other than my planning time. All of our students need and deserve uninterrupted instructional time.
- Please help your child learn their multiplication facts if they do not know them already. Their success in this and all future Mathematics courses depends greatly on this knowledge.

LET'S ALL WORK TOGETHER AND HAVE A GREAT YEAR!

Coach Gammon's 7th grade Math Syllabus Signature sheet

Dear Parent / Guardian.

Thank you for taking the time to review this syllabus with your child. Please print, sign and date below.

Date _____

Parent Print: _____ Sign: _____

Date _____

Student Print: _____ Sign: _____

Students,

Please return this this sheet to me by Friday, August 29, 2014. This is a homework assignment. A 100% will be received for this assignment if returned by this date.