

Warmup 8/ $\left(\frac{11}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

1. ***Please have your syllabus sheet out so I can check the signature. I am not collecting it – it is useful information for you!!!***
2. On your slip of paper, write down a **goal** you have for this year in math class. It doesn't have to be a "grades" goal – it could also be a "habits" goal with a habit that you think will help you do well. You do not need to put your name on it, but if you do, put it on the back.
*****I need one person to volunteer to tape the goals to the #goals section – when you are done, give your paper to that volunteer!*****
3. In your head, think of one way that you used math this summer.

Homeroom: First Day Packets

- Please get them out; I will collect them!
- Also – homeroom – start thinking about whether you might want to be our Student Council rep. We will choose later in the week.

Today's Objective

- Learn more about how this class is going to work

Notecards from Yesterday!

- If you got them all right, your notecard has a **star**. If your star is **purple**, that means you won the prize!!!
- If you got the purple star, you get your choice of two prizes:
 - An emoji sticker (you can get it after class)
 - Switch your desk chair out for the purple chair for today

Quick Activity: Math Grid

- When each person in your group has completed the Math Grid, I will need one volunteer from the group to walk up and put them in the tray for your class period.

Class Procedures

So.....how is this class gonna work?

My 3 main expectations:

1. If I am talking, you are not!!!

(this applies to other students as well – track the speaker!!!)

2. Whisper during work time!

This is for individual work time, warmup time, etc. Group work will obviously be a little louder.

3. Stay on task at all times.

Procedure for entering the class...

- When you get to class:
 - Find your seat
 - Warmups out
 - Homework out
- Should have all of this ready by the time class starts!
(Based on the clock in back)
- There will always be a warmup on the screen. By the time the class officially starts, you should be working on it!



After the warmup...

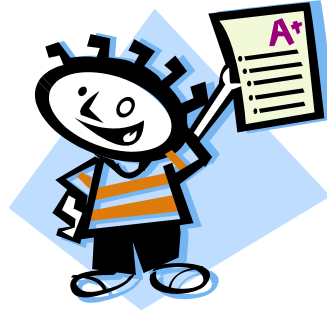
- We will grade the homework that was due the previous day.
- You will use the homework rubric (poster in back of room) to grade your homework yourself. If I feel you have given yourself too high of a grade, I will change it.
- You **MUST** always grade your homework in a different color.

ALEKS?

- Yes, we will be doing ALEKS this year – 30 minutes per week.
- This will start in a couple weeks. More details to come.



Grading for Learning



- Under grading for learning, homework is worth 10% of your grade – this is a bit but really not that much!!!
- BY FAR the biggest benefit of homework is that it gives you the necessary practice you need to do well on the quizzes, which count much more.
- **YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS HOMEWORK SHOULD NOT BE:** “I need to do my homework so I can get more points for my grade.”
- **YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARDS HOMEWORK SHOULD BE:** “I need to do my homework so I know that I understand the material.”
- Homework should be about the learning, first and foremost.

Late Work

- If you don't complete an assignment on time, I still expect you to complete it. Learning later is better than not learning at all.
- I do accept late work, but the max score you can get is 50%.
- If you come in for tutoring because the homework was confusing for you, I may make an exception to the 50% rule.

If you miss a day...

- **You are responsible for learning what we learned when you were gone!**
- The first thing you do when you come back should be to read the “IF YOU WERE ABSENT” sign and follow it.
- The homework you missed will be on the homework board AND on my class website.
- If you missed a handout/worksheet, you will need to get that from me.
- I would recommend getting the notes that you missed from a friend. You may also print out the lesson you missed at home.
- If you were absent, you will get extra time to do an assignment. If you missed 1 day, you get 1 extra day. If you missed 3 days, you get 3 extra days to do all missed assignments. Etc.

Retakes

- I want you to learn the material, even if you don't get it right away.
- This is the purpose of **retakes**.
- You have 10 school days from the time I pass the assessment back.
- The retake will be around the same difficulty.
- To be eligible for a retake, you must complete quiz corrections using a corrections sheet, along with any extra practice I assign you for that quiz.
- All the stuff should be turned in the day before the retake deadline (preferably even earlier) so that I can make sure that you are actually ready.

Procedure for getting your attention...

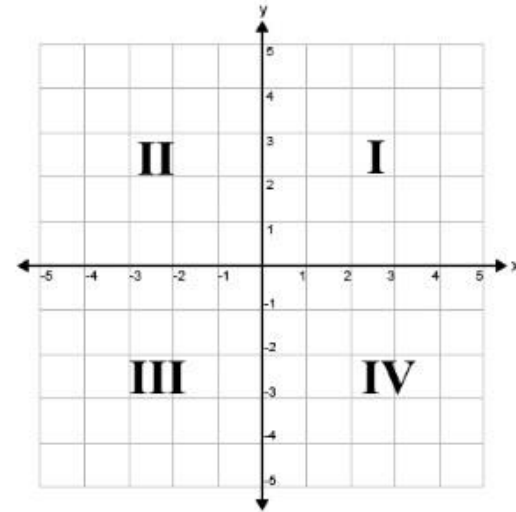
- We'll be going from group work back to whole-class discussions frequently...



- When I need your attention, I will either ask for it, or ding the bell. You need to have your:
 - Mouths closed
 - Ears open
 - Eyes to me!

The desks...

- The desks should ALWAYS be inside the tape. Make a habit of checking.
- The labels should be on the inside corner of the desks – all four of them touching
- Seat 1 should be in the front/right, and it goes around clockwise. Just like the quadrants are on the coordinate plane!!!
- And the most important thing...
- **DO NOT TOUCH THE LABELS.**
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- If a label accidentally gets knocked down, please find and replace it right away.



Fidgets...

- I have a box of fidgets. You may check one out using either your STUDENT ID or your CELL PHONE. (Or something else you NEED back)
- These are TOOLS, not TOYS. Their purpose is to help you focus. If I see it distracting you or other students, or if you're being too "extra" with it, I will take it back.

Cell Phones/electronics



Food/Drink

- I will START the year by allowing food and drink.
- For everything but water, you MUST ask me first.
- As long as we can handle having this privilege, it will stay!!!
- (My students last year lost this privilege several times)



Backpacks in class?

- Fine, but PLEASE keep them out of the way. (Under your desk)



Restroom Passes

- Instructional time is valuable – you should only be missing it in case of an emergency!
- You will each get **four** restroom passes to use throughout the 9 weeks. All you have to do is ask me to sign it, and you can go to the restroom, no questions asked.
- You will also use a pass if you need to get a drink.
- Do not rip the pass off the page!
- Restroom passes are non-shareable.
- Unused restroom passes can be turned back in at the end of the 9 weeks for rewards.
- If you run out of restroom passes and you still need to use one, you may still go to the restroom in exchange for doing an extra 15 minutes of ALEKS at home.

Fire Drills

- We go out the back, through the door under the stairs right outside my door
- We should try to get there before any 5th/6th graders come down so we don't get in their way



Purple Chair

- Each week, one person will get to sit in the purple chair.
- You will be eligible for the purple chair if:
 - You did all homework and warmups the previous week
 - You had all your materials every day
 - You were engaged in class all week
- I will pick RANDOMLY from all people that were eligible to determine who gets it.
- You are responsible for getting the chair and putting it back each day.



Procedure for leaving class...

- When the second hand hits 12, I will dismiss you IF:
 - The floor is clean.
 - Everyone is sitting down in their seats.
 - All calculators are put back.



6th Period Dismissal...

- Please do not talk/make noise during announcements.
- **DO NOT PUT MATERIALS AWAY DURING ANNOUNCEMENTS EITHER.** This creates a lot of noise.
- When I give you the okay, put all chairs up, including empty seats.
- Separate the desks a foot or two so the custodian can sweep in between.

Class Jobs

- Many of you will get the opportunity for jobs. There aren't enough jobs for everyone, but anyone can obviously help out!
- **Paper Passer-Outer (2 spots)**
- **Paper Returner (3 spots)**
- **Homework Collector (1 spot)**
- **Folder Alphabetizer (1 spot)**
- **Homework Writer (Homeroom only) (1 spot)**
- **Special Schedule Writer (Homeroom only) (1 spot)**
- **Whiteboard Material Collector (3 spots, 6th period only)**

Job Applications

- For each job, there is a description of what you would have to do and the skills necessary to do a good job
- You do NOT have to apply for anything. However, being willing to take on extra responsibility is a great way to make a first impression!
- There are three application spaces, so you can apply for more than one job if you want
- Turn in your job applications as soon as you want. I will tell you who I have “hired” early next week.

If time:

- Rules & Expectations “Kahoot” Quiz

Due TOMORROW

1. Intro Questions
2. Class Materials

(And don't forget to log in and add your online textbook using the code!)

New this year – SEL time

10-15 minutes each day between 4th period & PLT

- Mondays – video/lesson (similar to what we've done in previous years)
- Tuesdays – Mindful breathing
- Wednesdays – miscellaneous lesson/activity
- Thursdays – move this world
- Fridays – miscellaneous activity chosen by me

Expectations

- This should be a safe space for all of us to share. Be respectful and non-judgmental of your classmates.
- You may not work on homework/read/etc. during PLT time.
- You will have a 3-minute break between SEL & PLT to get the materials you need for PLT.

PLT (Personalized Learning Time) Expectations

- There is no talking during PLT. This is silent work time.
- You **MUST** stay in your assigned seats.
- If you would like to ask a classmate a question, please ask for permission. After you have asked your question, you must go back to your original seat.
- No locker passes during PLT – you have three minutes before it starts to get everything you need!
- If you need to go anywhere (Library, ask another teacher a question) you must fill out a PLT pass and get it signed by me.
- A maximum of 3 students from each class will be allowed in the library at one time.
- You may only go to the library if it is something that **MUST** be done in the library. For example, you may not go to the library for Typing Web because we have a computer cart here in the 8th grade hallway.
- PLT is individual work time. You will not be allowed to meet with your group to do a group project.