

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics Partnership Agreement

### Course description:

Math 8 is based on the Alabama Course of Study Standards for 8th grade. Concepts will include, but are not limited to: number theory, laws of exponents, algebraic expressions, slope-intercept form, linear functions, systems of linear equations, Pythagorean Theorem, and data collection and analysis.

### Mastery Tests:

Students will have 2 opportunities per test as described below:

- The ORIGINAL TEST will be taken in class (this is the first attempt).
- RETAKE Success Factors:
  - Complete any missing work
  - Make test corrections
  - Ask questions if needed
- The retake test must be completed within 2 weeks of the original test and prior to the end of the nine weeks.

### Teacher Responsibilities:

It is our belief that all students who want to succeed can achieve, given the right information and encouragement in a learning environment that honors individual learning styles and needs.

- ✓ We will plan activities that are designed to help students understand the algebraic concepts.
- ✓ Success in the workplace today is not achieved by mediocrity; therefore, we will challenge all students to give their best daily and not settle for anything less.
- ✓ We will employ research-based teaching strategies and be mindful of various learning styles when teaching class.
- ✓ We will treat all students fairly and provide feedback in a timely manner.
- ✓ We will enforce all rules and policies of the school.

### Student Responsibilities:

***EFFORT*** is the most important component. Research and our experience has shown that those who do the work are the ones learning. Therefore, all students are expected to take an active role, **assuming responsibility for their own learning** by doing each of the following:

- ✓ I will contribute to class, cooperate in small group activities, assist those in my vicinity that need additional help, and treat others with respect.
- ✓ I will complete all assignments on time, attempting every problem assigned.
- ✓ I will never turn in work that is not my own.
- ✓ I will always use technology appropriately.
- ✓ I will keep materials organized.
- ✓ I will be in class regularly – if I am out for any reason, I will make up any work within 3 days.
- ✓ I will take care of all supplies and leave the work area clean.

- ✓ I will seek extra help when needed.
- ✓ **I will take responsibility for my learning!**

**Parent Responsibilities:**

Communication and support between parents and school help students meet their goals.

We request that parents take an active role by doing each of the following:

- ✓ I will keep informed about my son/daughter's progress through Powerschools\*, email, or some other form of communication available to me.
- ✓ I will provide a work/study area for my son/daughter to do assigned work and prepare for tests.
- ✓ I will contact the teacher when I have questions or concerns.

\*If you have any problems with Power Schools, please contact the school front office for assistance.

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