



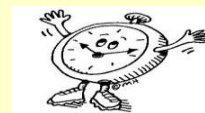
Long Hill Township
Central Middle School
Course: **All Eighth
Grade Math Classes**
September 2016

Welcome to Mrs. Sepe's 8th Grade Math!

Classroom Policies and Procedures

Welcome Back to School!

Welcome back to school for your final year at Central Middle School. I am looking forward to a fantastic year together! A successful classroom is built upon a foundation of mutual respect. I am looking forward to a year of change, growth, opportunity, and success. I hope you are too! In order to prepare you for this challenging year that lies ahead, there are some policies and procedures that will help you achieve your goals.



What I Can Expect From You

1. **BE PREPARED**—Come to class prepared with all of your assignments, materials, and a positive attitude!



2. **BE COURTEOUS/RESPECTFUL**

- Only one person should be speaking at a time.
- Come to class **ON TIME**.
- Always accentuate the positive.
- Put supplies away in their proper place and trash in the appropriate receptacle.

3. **FOLLOW CLASS RULES AND SCHOOL POLICIES AT ALL TIMES**

There are rules at CMS that are school wide expectations. This means you are expected to follow them at all times of the day including while you are in this classroom.

4. **COMPLETE ASSIGNMENTS ON TIME**

Homework is assigned almost every day and is due at the beginning of class each day. Homework is important because it provides you with an opportunity to explore your classroom learning in an independent manner in order to assess your individual understanding. For you to be successful in this class, homework needs to be completed on a consistent basis. Assignments are posted on the whiteboard in the classroom as well as on my website.

What you can expect from me

1. **RESPECT:** **YOU** are a valuable part of our classroom! I hope to show you that through kindness, patience, and encouragement. My classroom is an environment where you should feel safe to ask questions and seek help.
2. **ENGAGING LESSONS:** I will attempt to draw upon your interests to make math more meaningful, interesting and fun.
3. **ACCESSIBILITY:** If you are having a problem, please see me ***immediately*** to set up an appointment. Don't wait until test day! I want you to do well! We can work together either before or after school and during Lunch/Guide to make sure you understand and feel comfortable.

Grading Policy

Grades will be calculated by the total points method. The grade will be determined by dividing the number of points achieved by the total number of points available. Grades are based on the following:

Tests- (100 points each) Tests will be given at the end of each chapter or unit of study. Tests will always be announced in advanced so that the students will have time to prepare for them. **No extra time will be given on any test.** All tests are to be completed in one class period.

Quizzes- (20-50 points each) Quizzes will cover current topics to assess understanding of the material as well as address any weaknesses. **No extra time will be given on any quiz.**

Homework (2 pts. each) Homework is intended to help you practice new skills that build upon each other. Homework is given almost daily and is vital to your success in this class. Homework is due at the beginning of each class and will be checked daily. Homework is to be done in **PENCIL ONLY**, and **ALL work needs to be shown** in order to receive full credit. Students will receive 2 points for completed homework, 1 point for incomplete and 0 points for not turning it in at all. Homework will **ONLY** be accepted the **DAY IT IS DUE** to get any credit.

Projects (20-100 points each) Most projects will be completed at home rather than in class. Grading specifics for each project will be discussed at the time the project is assigned.



Absence

When you are absent from school due to illness, you will have the same amount of days you were absent to complete absent work. When you return to school, **YOU** are responsible for picking up your missing work. I will not hunt you down for your missing work. If you are absent from class on the day of a test **ONLY**, (but you were in school on the days leading up to the test) you are responsible for taking the test on the day you return. If you know that you will miss a test because of an in- school activity, i.e., band, chorus, drama, etc. or a planned absence such as a doctor or dentist appointment, you must tell me **BEFORE** test day to schedule a make-up time.

Consequences

Consequences for breaking these rules will vary depending on the severity of the offense and can be any of, but not limited to, the following: verbal warning, seat change, call/email home to parents, detention, or removal from class.



Please sign and have your parent/guardian sign the attached acknowledgement and return it to me tomorrow.