

Pine Middle School Mathematics Department
Welcome Students and Parents,

August 17, 2020

It is school time again! We are very happy to have your child in our classrooms. We believe with all of us (parents/students/teachers) working together, we can make this a very successful year. We consider it of prime importance that you be an active part of your child's education. We hope all families are coming to and/or back to Pine MS in good health.

Expectation:

We expect all students to have the appropriate classroom materials and be a positive part of the classroom environment and follow all Health Department Policies to keep all students/staff and families safe. We will be doing formative assessments (quizzes) to chart your student's progress. These assessments will give us knowledge of your child's proficiency and/or difficulties with the Math Standards. We expect all students to apply themselves to the best of their ability. It is also very important for students to communicate when they are struggling.

Materials:

- Mandatory:
 - Pencil
 - Spiral or Composition Notebook
 - GoMath Book.
 - Computer Passwords
- Optional:
 - *Small pencil sharpener*
 - *Calculator*
 - *Highlighters*
 - *Tissues (Donation for classroom use)*

Technology:

- It is vital this school year that your child remembers their login information. They also need to understand how to use Teams/OneNote/DreamBox and any other educational internet program used in the classroom.

Grading Policy:

- Achievement will be worth **100% of their quarterly grade**
 - **Assignments 15%**
 - **Quizzes 30%**
 - **Exams 55%**

DreamBox:

- Student will have access to a mathematical program called DreamBox. This online program will help all students expand their mathematical abilities. Each student will have their own path to success. Students will be required to completed at least 30 minutes of online DreamBox work on their home days. Teachers will monitor their work.

Communication:

You are invited to email you child's teacher (per planner) or call the school (775-689-2550) to set up visit the school any time that you have a question concerning your child's progress. We will keep you informed by updating Infinite Campus Grade book weekly to show your child's progress.

We consider it a great privilege and responsibility to be your child's teacher this year and look forward to working with your child and improving their mathematical abilities.

Thank you,
Pine Middle School
Math Department
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