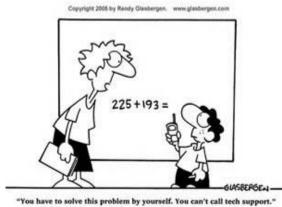
Math 8 Syllabus 2023-2024





Go Math

To log onto the online version of the textbook and the online resources, go to the Washoe County School District website www.washoeschools.net, click on the Students and Parents tab, then click on HRW - GoMath! It should send you to the sign-in page for the online resources. Student usernames are: <student ID number> @washoeschools.org. Passwords are the same as what you use to sign onto a WCSD computer, Canvas, Teams, Clever, etc.

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For in-person meetings, please contact Ms. Whitham directly to schedule an appointment.

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Welcome back! We are gearing up for another great year here at Swope. In class, we will work together to create a positive learning environment and a community within our classroom. We are all here to assist one another. Students, if you have questions or need help in any of your classes, please, let your teachers know. If you or your parents need to communicate with your teachers, you can schedule an appointment to meet in person, call the school phone number, or email him/her at the address listed on Infinite Campus. *Note: The email option on Infinite Campus does not work. You will need to copy and paste the email address into your email browser.

Swope Rules

You are a "Panther on the Prowl" everywhere when you show...

Respect YourselfPPerseveranceRespect OthersRRespect - KindRespect Your EnvironmentOOrganization -Respect All Panther RulesWWork Ethic - EBe a Panther on the ProwlLLeadership - S

Р	Perseverance - Never give up
R	Respect - Kind, Courteous, and Careful
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- Organization Plan Ahead, Manage Time
- Work Ethic Best Effort and Quality of Work
- Leadership Setting Positive Example

Online Programs We Will be Using	Extra Help	
HRW Go Math	There are video lessons in the online textbook materials.	
**Please make sure you can access this site. It can be accessed through the district website, click the students and parents tab. Scroll down to HRW Go Math (Go Math is under H). Your username and password are what you use to log into Teams.	You can also use <u>www.khanacademy.org</u> or <u>www.mathguy.us</u> for extra help. We will also have after school tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school. (Tutoring begins in September and goes through May. Transportation is provided.)	
*Make sure you can access Teams as well. Communication and Assignments will be uploaded there each week.	Classroom Expectations: 1. Students will be able to model the current learning.	
 iReady This site can be accessed through Clever. You may need to scroll down the page to find it. Press the heart to add it to your favorites. 	 Students will listen and respect others. Students will have all necessary supplies in order to participate in class. Students will arrive in class on time. Students will be helpful and take the path of least resistance. Students will use appropriate language and tone. No cell phones or electronic devices in class unless	
	directed by teacher. Wired headphones <u>only</u> for use on school laptop. No AirPods.	

Supplies - \$10 Math fee (to purchase and replenish math supplies and manipulatives) Each time you come to Math class, you are expected to come prepared with the proper supplies. The items listed below are items we use every class. Please make sure you always have items. If you run out of a supply, make sure to tell your parents so they can restock your supplies when necessary.

***NOTE: Cell phone calculators will not be allowed in class. The district does not allow them to be used on tests and finals and students would have to suddenly do calculations by hand on tests. That can throw students off if they have been practicing the skill only with a calculator. Students will need to use the stand-alone basic scientific calculator that is listed below in the supply list.

Math Supply List

- Basic Scientific Calculator (Basic, <u>not</u> the ones that make fractions.)
- Ruler (make sure it has cm. as well as in.)
- Protractor
- Graph Paper
- Spiral notebook for notes (college-ruled)

Supplies You Should Always Have with	Items We Normally Share
You for Any Class	(You may want your own)
 many pencils (regular or mechanical) lead for mechanical pencils hand pencil sharpener with lid (wood pencils) binder tabs for binder (if necessary) erasers loose-leaf college-ruled binder paper (lots) highlighters glue sticks (no liquid glue) ballpoint pens (blue or black ink) set of colored pencils set of colored markers zipper pouch for supplies 	 Kleenex (small personal packs) hand pencil sharpener with lid (wood pencils) scissors glue sticks (no liquid glue) set of colored pencils set of colored markers stapler (and staples)

COMMANDMENTS OF SUCCESS

- A **POSITIVE ATTITUDE** is the most important thing.
- A HIGH WORK ETHIC is a key component.
- **MEETING <u>ALL</u> DEADLINES** is essential.

- **TEAMWORK** is a must.
- **TOLERANCE** is an absolute necessity.
- **RESPECT** is given and earned at all times.

Classroom Policies and Procedures

*Opening class procedure...

1.) Go directly to my assigned seat 2.) Take out any assignments or absent work and all materials needed for today's class and set on desk, 3.) Read the board and write down the assignments in my Panther planner, and 4.) Silently work on my Warm-up activity. (This is NOT a good time to conference with the teachers as they have designated requirements at the beginning of each period.)

*Passes...

The best time to use the restroom is during the 4-minute passing. If you do not think you will have time to use the restroom **and** get to class on-time, then go directly to the classroom and let your teacher know you need to use the restroom. That way the teacher knows why you came into the classroom after the bell. If you need to use the restroom during class, you will need to ask the teacher for a pass. **(3 passes per week)**

*Preparedness...

All students <u>MUST</u> come to class prepared to work. Items necessary for class: Positive attitude, pencils, erasers, extra lead, paper, binder, workbook, completed assignments, and resource materials. <u>Students</u> not prepared for class will receive a lowered Work Ethic grade for that period.

Note: Students will receive the first copy of the Go Math book at no cost. If students need an additional copy for any reason (loss, damage, etc.), there will be a charge of \$10 per book. This is an additional charge and is not included in the \$10 Math fee paid at the beginning of the year.

*Late/Missing work policy...

Deadlines are a very important Life Skill. It is imperative that students complete and submit ALL assignments on-time.

All assignments and the weekly agenda of required items to complete will be uploaded to Canvas the Friday prior to the week. Each assignment will have a specific due date. Assignments are to be uploaded, completed, or attached to the assignment on Teams for credit. Make sure to press submit after you complete/upload the assignment. **No late work will be accepted**.

There will be a test or quiz every other Friday. If a student is absent on the day of a test/quiz, he/she needs to come in at lunch with his/her lunch to make-up the test/quiz. There will not be any retakes on assessments unless a student has the legal paperwork with a retake accommodation.

Students have as many days as they were absent plus one more day to complete make-up work and to make-up tests, no matter the reason for the absence (illness, Swope sport, vacation, etc.).

******Copied assignments will result in a 0% for both parties as well as a note in the grade book to inform parents/guardians and Administrators. Students should also not be copying answers from an online source (No Photomath!). If you are unsure of how to do something, put a question mark on the problem and ask for help the next day in class.

*Absence policy...

It is the student's responsibility to go to Teams to get the missed assignments. If there is a separate handout, check Teams to see if that handout has been uploaded. If the handout is not able to be uploaded, then come get it upon return from your absence. If you are unable to print at home, just look at the assignment/worksheet on your screen and do the assignment on a piece of paper.

*Checking Infinite Campus...

Students and parents are required to keep track of student grades by checking Infinite Campus at least once a week. If you do not have access to the Internet at home, students can use a computer on campus, at the local Washoe County libraries in town, or there is an app for their phone.

*Assignments...

All papers/assignments should be labeled correctly and <u>all work shown</u> (credit will not be given to assignments that just have answers listed)...

	Heather Markham Math per. 4
	10/24/23 pp. 526-527 #7-14; 25-27
7.)	8.)
9.)	10.)
	(grade percentages are not rounded)
90%-100% 80%-89%	AB
80%-89% 70%-79%	D C
60%-69%	D
0%-59%	F
	nments will be given credit for on-time completion. <u>Students MUST show work to receive</u> red answers only will not be accepted.
Overall grad	des are weighted as follows:
	ent category (65%) includes: sts, scavenger hunts, and quizzes on material taught and practiced throughout the week.
	nts category (25%) includes: nments, Pre-test assignments, Practice test assignments, classroom activities.
	ms (10%) includes : <u>n</u> - Final test for all material learned in that Term (Quarter).

GRADE	GRADE WORK ETHIC		
A Outstanding	 Completes 95-100% of assignments Submits assignments on-time Completes/submits absent work in allotted timeframe Begins working immediately Works well independently 	 Uses resources when confused Asks for clarification/help Assists others when they need help Shows leadership in partners/groups Stays on-task in groups/individually 	
B Above Average	 Completes 90-95% of assignments Submits assignments on-time (1 or 2 late assignments in a quarter) Completes/submits absent work in allotted timeframe Begins working immediately most of the time (1 or 2 re-directs) Works well independently 	 Uses resources when confused Asks for clarification/help Assists others when they need help Works well in partners/groups Stays on-task in groups/individually 	
C Average	 Completes 85-90% of assignments Submits most assignments on-time (several late assignments in a quarter) Completes/submits most absent work in allotted timeframe Begins working immediately some of the time (2 or 3 re-directs) Works well independently some of the time 	 Does not use resources when confused Sometimes asks for clarification/help Occasionally assists others when they need help Works well most of the time in partners/groups Needs occasional redirects to stay on-task in groups/individually 	
D Below Average	 Completes 60-85% of assignments Occasionally submits assignments on-time (Many late assignments in a quarter) Rarely completes/submits absent work in allotted timeframe Does not begin working immediately most of the time (constant re-directs) Rarely works well independently 	 Does not use resources when confused Occasionally asks for clarification/help Rarely assists others when they need help Rarely Works in partners/groups Needs constant redirects to stay on-task in groups/individually 	
F Failing	 Completes 0-60% of assignments Rarely submits assignments on- time (Mostly late assignments in a quarter) Never completes/submits absent work in allotted timeframe Does not begin working immediately most of the time (constant re-directs) Rarely works at all independently 	 Never uses resources when confused Never asks for clarification/help Never assists others when they need help Rarely Works in partners/groups Needs constant redirects to stay on- task in groups/individually 	

GRADE	BEHAVIOR		
A Outstanding	 Respectful 95-100% of the time Always discusses assignments, never speaks disrespectfully Always disagrees without being disagreeable Always begins working immediately Never loud/disruptive during independent work time 	 Always uses accountable talk when confused Uses accountable talk 95-100% of the time in class Respectfully shows leadership in partners/groups Never disrupts others in groups/individually 	
B Above Average	 Respectful 90-95% of the time Mostly discusses assignments, rarely speaks disrespectfully Often disagrees without being disagreeable Often begins working immediately Rarely loud/disruptive during independent work time 	 Often uses accountable talk when confused Uses accountable talk 90-95% of the time in class Respectfully shows leadership in partners/groups Rarely disrupts others in groups/individually 	
C Average	 Respectful 85-90% of the time Sometimes discusses assignments, sometimes speaks disrespectfully Sometimes disagrees without being disagreeable Sometimes begins working immediately Sometimes loud/disruptive during independent work time 	 Sometimes uses accountable talk when confused Uses accountable talk 85-90% of the time in class Sometimes respectfully shows leadership in partners/groups Sometimes disrupts others in groups/individually 	
D Below Average	 Respectful 60-85% of the time Rarely discusses assignments, often speaks disrespectfully Rarely disagrees without being disagreeable Rarely begins working immediately Often loud/disruptive during independent work time 	 Rarely uses accountable talk when confused Uses accountable talk 60-85% of the time in class Rarely respectfully shows leadership in partners/groups Often disrupts others in groups/individually 	
F Failing	 Respectful 0-60% of the time Never discusses assignments, always speaks disrespectfully Never disagrees without being disagreeable Never begins working immediately Very loud/disruptive during independent work time 	 Never uses accountable talk when confused Uses accountable talk 0-60% of the time in class Never respectfully shows leadership in partners/groups Always disrupts others in groups/individually 	

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

Cheating means gaining unfair advantage by using unauthorized information.

Cheating is further defined by but not limited to:

- **COPYING** someone else's homework, classwork, or test answers
- **ALLOWING** someone else to copy your work or test answers
- **USING** any kind of unauthorized device, study aid, or cheat sheet
- **POSSESSING** or **VIEWING** a copy of an exam beforehand
- SHARING test information with students who have not yet taken the test or course
 This includes taking answers/questions from a test out of the classroom without
 - the permission of the teacher. (even "by accident")
- CHANGING your answers or someone else's when correcting in class
- **MISREPRESENTING** work done by others as your own work

Plagiarism is presenting the words or ideas of another person <u>as one's</u> <u>own</u> without citing sources.

- <u>YOU ARE PLAGIARIZING</u> when you copy a phrase, a paragraph, a page or an entire paper.
- <u>YOU ARE PLAGIARIZING</u> when you copy from a published source, i.e. Internet or print.
- <u>YOU ARE PLAGIARIZING</u> when you copy from someone else's work.

Minimum consequences for cheating are as follows:

- **REFERRAL** to Student Services
- **PARENT CONTACT** by the teacher
- **LUNCH DETENTION** with Student Services
- **NOTATION** made in school discipline record

Additional consequences may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Student will receive a ZERO on the test or homework assignment
- Student will receive an "F" in citizenship for the quarter and depending on the severity of the infraction, may receive an "F" in citizenship for the semester
- Alternative assignment, to be determined by the teacher

Be Responsible. Make Wise Choices.

If you are unsure, ask your teacher for guidance.