

A Message from Mrs. Nabors

Hillsdale Middle School

7th and 8th Grade Mathematics

(Week #32) Friday, May 2, 2025 Math Enrichment Opportunities: http://nrich.maths.org/weekly

31 SCHOOL DAYS LEFT!!!

DO NOT WAIT UNIT THE LAST MINUTE TO GET YOUR MISSING WORK COMPLETED and TURNED IN. MATH GRADES CLOSE ON JUNE 10TH!!!

HONORS/ACCELERATED PLACEMENT FOR NEXT YEAR: Hillsdale Middle School has the following requirements for Honors Math and Accelerated Math placement for 8th grade. If you have any questions regarding the requirements, please email or call the school office.

Honors Math Placement is based primarily on the following criteria:

- 1. GRADES Students should maintain A/B grades all year in academics
- 2. iREADY Students should be performing at **mid-grade level or higher** based on this year's iReady Diagnostic #3 results
- 3. CAASPP Students should score in the "Meets" or "Exceeds Standards" range this year.
- 4. WORK HABITS & CITIZENSHIP Strong task completion (Effort) and citizenship are required.

Accelerated Math Placement is based primarily on the following criteria:

- 1. CURRENT CLASS: Students MUST be currently enrolled in 7th grade Accelerated Math
- 2. GRADES Students should maintain A grades all year in academics
- 3. iREADY Students should be performing at **late-grade level or higher** based on this year's iReady Diagnostic #3 results
- 4. CAASPP Students should score in the "Meets" or "Exceeds Standards" range this year.
- 5. WORK HABITS & CITIZENSHIP Strong task completion (Effort) and citizenship are required.

Week #32 = 32 I-Ready Assignments Completed and Passed by yesterday at 8:59 pm!

I-READY: I-Ready is a district-purchased an online program for mathematics that will help personalize your student's learning and monitor progress throughout the school year. I-Ready consists of two parts: Diagnostic and Personalized Instruction that provides data to increase your student's learning gains.

This year, your student is required to take 3 diagnostic assessments and complete 1 math lesson per week. Every four weeks the I-Ready will be graded and students will earn a score reflective of the number of lessons they have completed to date. Students who have completed 4/4 by week 4, 8/8 by

week 8, 12/12 by week 12, and so on, will be able to participate in P.A.T. (Preferred Activity Time). Students who have not completed the required lessons will work on I-Ready during that time.

I-READY LESSONS ARE DUE ON THE DAY BEFORE P.A.T. BY 8:59 PM. ANYTHING SUBMITTED AFTER 8:59 PM WILL NOT COUNT FOR THAT PARTICULAR WEEK.

GRADES: I update grades every FRIDAY and post them in my gradebook program iGrade Plus and will be emailed to you on Fridays. If you and your student check his/her math grade before Friday, there may be blank entries. This means I have yet to enter the grades for that assignment, so please check back on Friday. Assignments turned in on Friday will NOT be reflected on the emailed report until the following week.

If you are not receiving emailed grade reports, please email me a working email for you so I can update my records. Be sure to include your student's first and last name in the subject line of your email.

INFRACTIONS: An Infraction Log is kept daily for violations of basic school and classroom rules, which include but are not limited to the following: Gum, Tardy, Cell Phone ON, Inappropriate Use of Technology, Disruption, Not bringing necessary school supplies (charged chromebook and charger), Profanity, Dress Code, etc. EVERY 3 INFRACTIONS RESULT IN ONE LOWERED CITIZENSHIP GRADE. EVERY 4 INFRACTIONS RESULT IN A LUNCH DETENTION. EVERY 5 INFRACTIONS RESULT IN A REFERRAL TO THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL.

TARDIES: Students need to be in their assigned seat ready to learn BEFORE the bell rings. Last week, I had 9 students tardy to one class. It is extremely disruptive to the learning process. **PLEASE TALK WITH YOUR STUDENT ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING ON TIME TO EVERY CLASS**.

TARDY POLICY: Hillsdale has adopted the following tardy policy, which I will implement Trimester 3:

1ST Tardy = Warning + 1 Infraction

- 2nd Tardy = Student/Teacher Conference + 1 Infraction
- 3rd Tardy = Parent Emailed + 1 Infraction
- 4th Tardy = Lunch Detention + 1 Infraction
- 5th Tardy = Referral to AP + 2 Infractions

SKIPPED PROBLEMS ON HOMEWORK: I am no longer accepting homework with skipped problems. Students must attempt to solve every assigned problem on their homework. Remember, full credit on homework is issued if every problem is completed and all work is shown, regardless if the correct answer is given.

ABSENCES AND MISSING QUIZZES/TESTS/EXAMS: Since quizzes and tests make up 20% and exams make up 40% of your student's overall grade in my class, a missed quiz, test, or exam really hurts his/her math grade until that quiz, test, or exam is made up when he/she returns to school. PLEASE DO NOT PANIC!!! I always have students make up a missed assessment on the day they return and then immediately enter their score in the gradebook. Your student's grade may be "ugly" for a day or two until I see him/her again in class.

CHROMEBOOKS: All students need to remember to charge their chromebooks EVERY night, as well as bring their charger to school in case their battery does not last. In addition, students must remember to report to the chromebook hospital during zero period with any chromebook issues.

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TIMES TESTS: Every four weeks before P.A.T., all students will be taking a multiplication facts quiz (100 facts, 0's through 12's in 5 minutes 30 seconds). You could help your student at home to prepare for this quiz.

- 1) Make multiplication flash cards and quiz your student.
- Print each of the four different Times Test forms from my website and practice, practice, practice! The Times Tests are in the LEFT navigation bar on my website, or you can click <u>HERE</u>.
- 3) Log onto Hoodamath.com and have your student practice the multiplication timed test online.
- 4) Play Multiplication War with a deck of cards (remove the Kings, Queens = 12, Jacks = 11, and Aces = 1).

MY WEBSITE: <u>https://www.cajonvalley.net/Domain/518</u> If you have a moment, please visit my website for information about me, the math curriculum, forms, tools, resources, and other things you may find helpful.

EMAIL: If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student and math class, do not hesitate to reach out to me. When doing so, please do not respond to the grade report email or the "A Message from Mrs. Nabors" email, but to start a new email thread. PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR STUDENT'S FIRST AND LAST NAME IN THE SUBJECT LINE SO I KNOW WHO YOU ARE REFERRING TO.

UP-COMING EVENTS/DATES:

TODAY All - Times Test, Integers Test #7, P.A.T. All - Tri. 3 Progress Report Cards available for parents and students in Q

May 6th & 7th CAASPP State Testing ELA Summative and Performance Task (Minimum Days)

Common Core - Unit 6 Exam
Common Core - Unit 6 I.N. Due Accelerated - Module 9 Quiz
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All - Performance Task Review
All - Units 1 & 2 Online Review

May 16th All - Units 3 & 4 Online Review

May 19th All - Units 5 & 6 Online Review

May 20th & 21stCAASPP State Testing Math Summative and Performance Task (Minimum Days)

<mark>May 26th €</mark>	Memorial Day Holiday! No School!!
May 28 th	Accelerated - Unit 10 Exam
May 29 th	Accelerated – Unit 10 I.N. Due All – 36 IReady Lessons Passed by 8:59 PM or NO P.A.T.!
May 30 th	All - Times Test, Integers Test #8, P.A.T.

Please email me at <u>nabors@cajonvalley.net</u> with any questions or concerns you may have regarding your student and math.

Sincerely, Mrs. Nabors

