



# A Message from Mrs. Nabors

## Hillsdale Middle School

### 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Mathematics

(Week #3)

Friday, August 30, 2024

**Math Enrichment Opportunities:**

<http://nrich.maths.org/weekly>

### GOING OUT OF TOWN???

#### Independent Study Contracts (\*ISC)

Students who must miss 3 - 14 days of school should be on an ISC to ensure they stay caught up on all assignments.

- Parents must contact the front office at least 5 school days in advance to ensure that the contract can be prepared ahead of time and teachers can put work together.

Students must meet certain academic and attendance criteria in order to qualify for an ISC. Every ISC request is reviewed by school administration to determine if academic and attendance criteria are met.

### FROM THE HILLSDALE STUDENT HANDBOOK:

#### Attendance

One of the most important things your child can do to reach the goal of success is also one of the most basic: attend school every day on time! Daily attendance at school is important, any missed day is a missed opportunity to learn. By attending class regularly, your child is more likely to keep up with daily lessons and assignments and take quizzes and tests on time. Research has shown that your child's regular attendance may be the greatest factor influencing his/her academic success.

#### **If you are absent, you must**

- Clear your absence by parent phone call or note within 24 hours.
- Make up all missing work
- See your teachers for help

**Our Direct Line for ATTENDANCE is: 619-590-6899**

According to California Education Code, absences are excused for a handful of reasons only. Please refer to [Education Code 48205](#) for the list of reasons for an excused absence. All other reasons will result in an unexcused absence.

Attendance is monitored by the school and the State of California. Please refer to the [CVUSD School Year Calendar](#) for the 2024/2025 school year.

#### Truancy

Students who are absent more than 30 minutes from the school day without their parents' knowledge or consent are truant. If a student is truant for more than 3 days an automatically generated communication will go home to inform parents/guardians.

#### Tardies (per Trimester)

- 1st tardy - warning
- 2nd tardy - teacher conference with student

- 3rd tardy - parent contact by teacher
- 4th tardy - teacher issues consequence
- 5th tardy - teacher refers to AP

According to California Education Code, the only excused tardies are for *illness, medical emergency or appointment, or the funeral of an immediate family member.*

**EMAIL:** If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student and math class, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. It is best NOT to reply to this email. Please start a new thread and **PLEASE REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR STUDENT'S FIRST AND LAST NAME IN THE SUBJECT LINE SO I KNOW WHO YOUR STUDENT IS.**

**MY WEBSITE:** <https://www.cajonvalley.net/Domain/518> 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.

**TIMES TESTS:** NEXT WEEK, on September 6<sup>th</sup>, and every four weeks after, all students will be taking a multiplication facts quiz (100 facts, 0's through 12's in 6 minutes). We have been working on this periodically in class, however you could also help your student at home to prepare for this quiz.

- 1) Make multiplication flash cards and quiz your student.
- 2) Print each of the four different Times Test forms from my [website](#) and practice, practice, practice!
- 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).

**GRADES:** It is important for you to know I will be using iGrade Plus instead of the district program, Q-Zangle because it allows me to email weekly progress reports directly to parents. I will only update grades in Q-Zangle at the end of each 6-week grading period. **Please do not check your student's weekly grade in Q-Zangle.**

I update grades every FRIDAY and post them in my gradebook program iGrade Plus to 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 do not receive an emailed grade report today, 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.**

**You and your student received an invitation to gain access to the iGrade Plus online grade program. Be sure to set up your parent portal account so you are able to check your student's math grade at any time.**

**NEXT WEEK'S HOMEWORK:** You can find next week's math homework assignments at <https://www.cajonvalley.net/Page/11701>. Make sure you click on the correct week and are looking in you

student's course column for the assignments. \*Please note, that although my lesson plans on my website are accurate, some changes may occur without notice.

### UP-COMING EVENTS/DATES:

NOW

Students need to have their school supplies. Below is a list of suggested items:

- **1 Spiral Notebook** - Must be at least 120 pages (preferably 3 subject,  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 11 inch, college ruled) - **PLEASE BE SURE YOUR STUDENT HAS THEIR SPIRAL NOTEBOOK BY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>**
- Pencil pouch with 4 sharpened or mechanical pencils
- Charged Chromebook, charger, and earbuds
- Glue stick

September 2<sup>nd</sup> Labor Day Holiday - NO School!!

September 4<sup>th</sup> Interactive Notebook Set Up - **STUDENTS MUST HAVE A SPIRAL NOTEBOOK**

September 6<sup>th</sup> **TIMES TEST (100 basic facts - 6 minutes)**

September 12<sup>th</sup> Curriculum / Parent Night 5:30 - 7:00 pm

September 16<sup>th</sup> Accelerated - Modules 1 & 2 Quiz + Enrichment 1 & 2

September 17<sup>th</sup> Honors - Module 1 Quiz

September 18<sup>th</sup> Common Core - Module 1 Quiz

Please email me at [nabors@cajonvalley.net](mailto:nabors@cajonvalley.net) with any questions or concerns you may have regarding your student and math.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Nabors