

SURVIVAL GUIDE.

POLICIES.

GRADING:

Grading will consist of the following items:

- Major Grades (50%)
 - Chapter Tests
 - Quiz Average
- Daily Grades (50%)
 - Classwork
 - Quizzes
 - Weekly Participation Grade:
 - homework grade (60 points)
 - bellwork quiz (40 points)

RULES:

1. Respect teacher and classmates.
2. Follow instructions first time given.
3. Be in seat and on task when tardy bell rings.
4. Do not get out of seat without permission.
5. Do not talk while someone else is speaking.
6. Do not throw anything. Not to someone. Not at someone.
7. No food or drink allowed in classroom.
8. Follow all Rules, Regulations, and Procedures set forth in the Lamar County School District (LCSD) Middle School Student Handbook.

CONSEQUENCES:

1. Verbal Warning
2. Short Form #1 + Morning Detention
3. Short Form #2 + Call to Parents
4. Long Form/Office Referral *extreme situations may lead directly to this step.

MATERIALS:

Students must bring appropriate materials to class each day. This includes paper, pencils, erasers and calculators (beginning with Chapter 6). Teacher will have pencils and paper available for purchase only. Pencils are 25¢ each, erasers are 10¢ each, and paper is \$1.00 per pack.

CELL PHONES/ELECTRONICS:

Per the LCSD Middle School Student Handbook, cell phones and other portable electronics (including iPods, mp3 players, and gaming devices) are not permitted to be in use. These items must remain turned off and put away, and will be confiscated if seen.

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PROCEDURES.

ASSIGNED SEATING:

Students will have assigned seating. Seating arrangements are subject to change at teacher's discretion. (If you have special seating needs, please note them on back of attached Survival Guide Acceptance Form.)

STUDENT ID BADGES:

Students are required to wear their identification badges clearly visible at all times. Spot checks may be conducted to ensure compliance with this rule.

ENTERING AND EXITING CLASSROOM:

Time is valuable. Students should enter classroom quietly and go promptly to their assigned seats. Students should sharpen pencils, get homework assignments out, turn in makeup work and begin bellwork assignment BEFORE the tardy bell rings. Students should not pack up early unless instructed to do so. If students have completed all classwork and homework, they may read or work on assignments for other classes. The teacher will dismiss students from class; please do not jump up and head for the door at the sound of the bell. Remember to leave desk area clean.

RESTROOM BREAKS:

No student will be allowed to leave the room during instruction. Students will only be allowed to go to the restroom during classwork time. To leave the room, the student must fill out his or her planner correctly and have it signed by the teacher. The student will also fill out the signout sheet posted by the door. Only one student will be allowed out of the room at a time. There are no exceptions to this.

PERMISSION TO LEAVE SEAT:

To maintain a productive learning environment, students are to remain in their seats at all times. For NO reason should a student leave his or her seat without permission. This includes sharpening pencils - ask before you get up to do it.

LEAVE YOUR DESK AREA CLEAN:

Please be respectful of school property and other students who share your desk. Do not write on the desks. Please clean up after yourself - do not leave garbage lying around. Take all garbage to the garbage can or recycle bin as you leave class:

- DO NOT GET OUT OF SEAT TO THROW ANYTHING AWAY DURING CLASS.
- DO NOT THROW ANYTHING TO THE GARBAGE CAN.

PERSONAL PROPERTY:

Respect other students' personal property. Do not tamper with other students' books, bags or purses. Please do not take, borrow or use items on the teacher's desk without permission.

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BELLWORK:

Daily bellwork assignments should be completed and kept by students. Each day's assignment will be discussed in class. On Fridays a bellwork quiz will be given. Questions on the bellwork quiz will come directly from the week's bellwork assignments. The quiz grade will be factored into the weekly participation grade.

CLASSWORK:

Classwork assignments will be graded for correct answers. Students are allowed use of their notes and textbooks for assistance with these assignments. Ample time will be given to complete classwork assignments in class. Students are expected to turn in these assignments before they leave class; they will not be allowed to take work home as homework.

HOMEWORK:

Due to the nature of math, homework will be assigned often to ensure students fully understand the concepts. Homework will be randomly checked throughout the week for a completion grade, which will be factored into the weekly participation grade.

CLASS INTERACTION:

Students are expected to stay on task and actively participate in class discussions and activities. This includes interaction with the teacher when called upon and productive interaction with classmates. Behaviors such as sleeping in class, working on other assignments, reading, or passing notes do not allow participation and will not be tolerated.

MAKEUP WORK:

It is the student's responsibility to keep up with his or her absences and makeup work. Upon returning from an absence, students should see teacher about needed makeup assignments. Any notes missed due to absence will NOT be provided by teacher and should be copied from a classmate.

EXTRA CREDIT:

Extra credit will NOT be assigned to individual students. There may be times throughout the year when optional extra credit projects are assigned to the entire class.

REWARDS:

While hard work and good behavior are expected of each student, they will at times be commended. Rewards may include, but will not be limited to: homework passes, bellwork quiz passes, candy, and class snacks.