



Journey Middle School

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8th Grade Math

Mrs. Whitten (2024-2025)

Teacher Contact Information	Email: egwhitten@madisoncity.k12.al.us Classroom Phone: 84345 *Mrs. Whitten will get back to you asap. Please do not expect emails or phone calls over the weekend. Mrs. Whitten will be on maternity leave for the first 6 full weeks of school. Please direct any questions to our instructional partner Mrs. Pepper or the sub.
Classroom Digital Platforms	Schoology Delta Math McGraw Hill
Textbook Information	McGraw Hill: Link to textbook can be found in Schoology.
Course Description	Math 8 is based on the Alabama Course of Study Standards for 8th grade. Concepts will include, but are not limited to: number theory, laws of exponents, algebraic expressions, slope-intercept form, linear functions, systems of linear equations, Pythagorean Theorem, and data collection and analysis.
Course Objectives	To prepare students to enter Geometry with Data Analysis in Grade 9.
Course Outline	Unit 0: Expressions Unit 2: Real Numbers Unit 3: Solving Equations Unit 1: Exponents and Scientific Notation Unit 4: Linear Relationships and Slope Unit 6: Systems of Linear Equations Unit 5: Functions Unit 7: Triangles and the Pythagorean Theorem Unit 8: Transformations Unit 9: Congruence and Similarities Unit 10: Volume Unit 11: Scatter Plots and 2-Way Tables
Classroom Rules	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Respect & Honor: Give it and you'll get it in return. 2. Grace & Forgiveness: We all make mistakes, admit them, learn from them, do better next time. Don't hold a grudge: learn to get over it. 3. Perseverance & Grit: Work hard, don't whine, never stop trying. Embrace the power of YET! "I can't do this... YET!" 4. Tolerance & Collaboration: You won't like everyone, get over it, put a smile on your face, and work together anyway. 5. Honesty & Integrity: Do the right thing, even when no one is looking. 6. Kindness: In a world where you can be anything, be kind. 7. Creativity: There is only one YOU; don't try to be anyone else. <p>*students will create classroom expectations the first day of school</p>

<p>Progressive Discipline <i>(JMS Policy)</i></p>	<p>All progressive discipline will correspond with the Madison City Schools Code of Conduct regarding Class I and II offenses. Class III offenses are a direct office referral.</p> <p>Step 1: Verbal warning Step 2: Student/teacher conference Step 3: Parent contact/conference Step 4: Detention and a parent contact Step 5: Office referral</p>
<p>Grading Policy <i>(MCS Policy)</i></p>	<p>60% = Assessments (Tests, Essays, Projects) 40% = Daily Grades (Quizzes, Homework, Classwork, and Participation)</p>
<p>Late Work Policy</p>	<p>Students present in class on the day of instruction are expected to turn in all in-class and out-of-class assignments on time</p>
<p>Make-up Work/ Test Policy</p>	<p>Students with excused absences will be allowed to make-up all work within three days of returning to school. It is the student's responsibility to ask for make-up work. Students can get with a classmate or ask the teacher for help. Work that is not made up will become a zero (including projects). Many times, missed work can be made up during school.</p>
<p>Laptops</p>	<p>Student laptops should not be hard-wired to the network or have print capabilities. Use of discs, flash drives, jump drives, or other USB devices will not be allowed on Madison City computers. Neither the teacher, nor the school is responsible for broken, stolen, or lost laptops. Laptops and other electronic devices will be used at the individual discretion of the teacher.</p>
<p>Cell Phone Policy</p>	<p>Students are welcome to bring personal electronic devices to school. Students will not be allowed to use cell phones during class. Cell phones may be used during class transitions and lunch. All cell phones must be placed in student's backpacks or a cell phone holder sleeve that the teacher has placed in the designated area of the classroom during the entirety of the instructional block. Also, remember that the student is responsible for locking and securing personal devices. JMS is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged cell phones and other electronic devices. Students should ensure personal devices are always in a safe and secure location. Additionally, students may not use their devices to do anything inappropriate that would disrupt the learning environment at Journey Middle School.</p>
<p>Cheating/Plagiarism</p>	<p>A student who cheats will not receive credit for the work in question. If any other student has cooperated in cheating, that student is also considered to have cheated and will not receive credit. Cheating students will also be subject to the consequences in the disciplinary consequences in Section XXII of this CSC. Cheating is defined to include, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) copying someone else's work in or out of class and identifying and submitting it as your own (b) failing to quote and/or list appropriate citations for material derived from published sources (including the Internet) and identifying and submitting it as your own (c) the use of unauthorized notes, other materials, or assistance during the

	accomplishment of graded work in or out of class (d) any other situation in which the student attempts to or accepts credit for work not his or her own.
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Materials & Supplies	Below is a list of supplies your child will need for eighth grade math. Please make every effort to be sure he/she has needed supplies for class. 1) 1.5”-2” 3 Ring Binder with dividers (they may use a composition notebook for Math if they prefer) 2) Loose-leaf paper 3) Graph Paper 4) Scientific Calculator (TI-30XS) 5) Pencils (sharpened) needed daily
Homework	Homework will be assigned if daily practice is not completed in class. It is the student’s responsibility to finish at home and be prepared for the next day.
Parent & Student Acknowledgment Form	Click Here to sign the acknowledgment form