

6th Grade Math Syllabus

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Each student will be responsible for the following:

- 1) Math homework - Homework is given each day, with the exception of test days and is due the following day. Students will have roughly 5-10 minutes of class time and 20 minutes of Focus time in the afternoon to work. Wednesdays will be ODDS ONLY!
 - a) Homework corrections. **We grow & learn from mistakes.** This means we must fix mistakes. Class time will be given for this, so hopefully it doesn't need to go home too often.
- 2) IXL - We will be using IXL for our Math Master goals this year. It is a challenge to complete the selected skills, but it also reinforces key 6th grade math topics. Specific skills will be chosen each week for students to complete during the course of the week. (Research suggests timed math fact tests are detrimental to students who are not quick with their facts. If you have other questions or concerns regarding this, please contact me.)
- 3) Power Up & L to J - Power Up and L to J provide practice and review of 6th grade concepts to help students' retention of past skills throughout the year. Students will be responsible for the completion of these tasks during class.
- 4) Tests- Cumulative Tests are given every five lessons beginning after lesson ten. Benchmark Tests are given every thirty lessons to assess students' retention of all skills taught up until that point. Tests will come home with students. Please send the test back with a signature so that I know we are on the same page regarding your child's learning.
 - a) Retakes. Students have the option to retake tests on which they earned less than 80%. They must schedule a time with me to complete the retake either during recess, focus, or after school. They will have two options to retake:
 - i) They may fix the missed problems on their original test for half credit back OR
 - ii) They can take another version of the entire test for complete credit.

Students' math grade will consist of the following:

Final Grade	=	10%	Homework
		60%	Cumulative Tests
		30%	Benchmark Tests

As always, please let me know of any concerns you may have. It is my goal to give each student time in small groups to be sure they are reaching their best level of achievement. Keep encouraging your students! They are all great students and have great potential.