# **HMS Math-8 Newsletter**

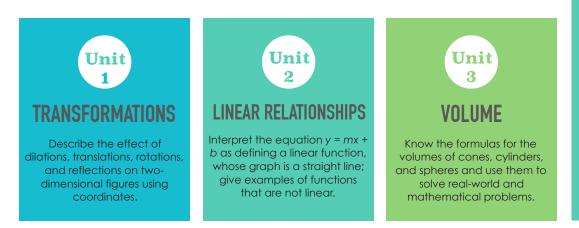
Marking Period 1 Units of Study (August 26 - Nov 1)



#### **HPS Math Goal & Belief**

**Goal:** All students will demonstrate accelerated growth toward Algebra I readiness by the end of grade eight.

**Belief:** A strong foundation in Algebra skills leads to higher-level math opportunities and general school success.





Perseverance I can try many times and many ways to understand and solve math problems.



#### <u>Use Appropriate</u> <u>Tools</u>

l can use math tools, pictures, drawings, and objects to solve problems.



Attend to Precision I can use math vocabulary precisely and consistently.

# **Math Workbooks**

Each student is given a math workbook every unit. The workbooks include:

- Notes
- Homework
- Study Guides

It is a good idea to keep these workbook for reference as they can be useful in High School.

# Grade Breakdown

Grade breakdown will be:

- <u>80% Formal</u> (tests, quizzes, projects, performance tasks).
- <u>20% Informal</u> (do nows, homework, class participation, class work).

For clarification, please contact, Mrs. Willis, Math Specialist twillis@hamden.org

#### MEET THE 8TH GRADE TEACHERS

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### **Math Assessments**

Students take quiz/quizzes and a test every unit.

Students are allow to retake <u>quizzes</u>, only one time per quiz. The quiz and the retake will be averaged for one final quiz grade.

Students will need to review with their math teacher one time, during office hours, before being allowed to schedule their retake quiz.