

Pinellas County Schools Office of Middle School Education

6th Grade Math Advanced-Accelerated March-June 2017

Welcome to Pinellas Virtual School! We are excited to be your teachers on your mathematical adventure as you complete the accelerated 6th grade math advanced course.

In order to be certain that there is always someone available to help you we will be sharing our teaching responsibilities for this course. However, you will have an “official” teacher who will be your primary contact throughout the course.

Course teachers will be Miss Merced, Miss Puyot, Miss Williamson, and Mrs. Hall. Students will be assigned to their primary teacher after course enrollment.

Course registration will be open from February 13-24. Please visit the PVS school website to register. <http://www.pcsb.org/virtuelschool>

Keys to Success

There are a few things that all students who succeed in a virtual environment do:

1. They get started! Sometimes that’s the hardest part. The best thing to do is sit down and give it a try.
2. They have a plan – set a daily schedule for your work and stick to it!
3. They call their teacher for help when they need it – don’t stay stuck!
4. They check their grades, and improve assignments when necessary.
5. And – they have parents who monitor their work and are interested in their success!

Course Requirements

Students must complete all 6th grade advanced math requirements with a final grade of 70% C or higher in order to receive credit for the course. In addition, students need to earn a score of 70% C or higher on each chapter exam in order to move forward in the course. Students who do not achieve this score on a chapter exam will be offered remediation activities prior to being allowed to retake the exam. After reviewing the course schedule if you feel your student needs to drop the drop date is March 14, 2017. If the student has not logged into Canvas or is behind on course work at the drop date administration will review the student’s situation and suggest the appropriate course of action.

Course Resources

This course is hosted in Canvas. All the course material (notes, videos, practice activities, quizzes, tests, etc.) will be listed within the modules in Canvas. Contact your teacher for additional resources if needed.

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Types of Assignments

1. **Quick Quiz and Vocabulary Quizzes:** The Quick Quiz (QQ) is a short quiz you will take at the end of each lesson. You may only take a QQ three times, so it's important to be sure you understand the information before you attempt the quiz. You should take time to review the material before you attempt to retake the quiz. If you find that you are really struggling with the QQ, please stop and call your teacher before you take your final quiz.
2. **Lessons and Practice Exercises:** Lessons are assigned daily and are followed by a practice worksheet. Practice worksheet answers are provided so the student and learning coach can go over them prior to the student taking the quiz for that lesson. Practice worksheets are required non-graded assignments.
3. **Chapter Exam:** At the end of each chapter you will have a chapter exam. You may refer to your notes on the exam, but you should be sure you have studied and understand the information before attempting the exam. Students in 6th Grade Advanced Math (Accelerated) must earn grades of 70% or higher on all chapter exams in order to move forward. Students who do not achieve this score on a chapter exam will be offered remediation activities prior to being allowed to retake the exam.
4. **Final Exam:** At the end of the course students will be required to take a cumulative final exam.

Pace

The biggest advantage to virtual learning is the ability to set your own pace and schedule. Your math course will be open 7 days per week, 24 hours per day. You may choose to do your work at any time of the day and for any length of time that you wish. The important thing is to set a schedule and stick to it.

Keep in mind that all lessons **MUST** be completed in order in the math course. As you work through the course, your math lessons will be dependent on information learned in previous units and modules.

Students are required to complete all course activities by Friday, 6/30/17 at 5:00 pm. In order to accomplish this follow the course work schedule. You may work ahead, but **DO NOT** get behind. **Progress checks have been integrated into the course schedule to ensure the students are staying on schedule. If a student falls behind the pacing schedule they will be dropped from the course with a WP or WF.**

- All course assignments, quizzes, tests, and final exam must be completed by Friday, 6/30/17
- If your family will be taking a vacation please let the teacher know right away and make sure your student has worked ahead

SAVE THE DATE

Family Information Nights for 6th Grade Advanced Math (Accelerated)

Wednesday, February 1 @ 6:00 pm

Thursday, February 2 @ 8:00 pm

Tuesday, February 7 @ 6:00 pm

Wednesday, February 8 @ 8:00 pm

Thursday, February 9 @ 6:00 pm

***All Information Nights will be held virtually. Please sign up on the PVS website to receive the link to the virtual meeting.**

Family Orientation Nights for 6th Grade Advanced Math (Accelerated)

Attend this orientation after acceptance into the course

Orientation nights are strongly suggested for student success.

Wednesday, February 22 @ 4:00 pm

Wednesday, February 22 @ 8:00 pm

Thursday, February 23 @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, February 28 @ 4:00 pm

Tuesday, February 28 @ 8:00 pm

***All orientations will be held virtually. Please sign up on the PVS website to receive the link to the virtual meeting.**