



Dear Parent/Guardian:

I gladly welcome your son/daughter to Smith Jr. High School. I am excited to help your child learn mathematics, a valuable subject in his/her progression towards graduation and future employment in an ever changing economy. I would like to share with you some information about my class:

**Goals**

My goal is to help your child gain at least one year’s worth of growth in mathematics. Along the way, I hope to impart a joy for mathematics. With your cooperation, we can help your child be successful in this class and exceed the standards on their A.I.M.S. test in April.

**Homework Policy**

Generally, homework is assigned daily. Depending on how diligently your son/daughter works to complete his/her assignment in class, your child might finish early and not have homework. Homework will be graded the following day in class. If your son/daughter is going to be absent for an extended period of time, please contact your child’s counselor and submit a homework request so they don’t fall behind with their class work. If it is not possible to obtain his/her homework prior to an absence, your son/daughter will be given ample time to make up any missed assignments. For example: If your son/daughter is absent for three days, he/she will get three days to make up any missed work. Students will be given two coupons per quarter to turn in a homework assignment one day late. Otherwise, late homework will not be accepted.

**Tests/Quiz Policy**

Tests and quizzes are given approximately every other week. Tests are twenty questions in length and focus on new material covered in specific lessons. Students will have one opportunity each chapter to retake a test if they score below 70%. Students will only be allowed to make up to a 70% on a test retake. Students will be allowed to take some quizzes home for completion. It is important, on both tests and quizzes, that all work is shown in the boxes provided. If work is not shown, students will not receive credit.

Grading Scale	90% -100%=A
Tests/Quizzes = 65%	80% -89%=B
Homework = 20%	70% -79%=C
Participation = 15%	60% -69%=D, below 60% is a failure

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at: [jblindsa@mpsaz.org](mailto:jblindsa@mpsaz.org). You may also leave a voice mail for me at: 480-472-9928. Please sign below and have your son/daughter detach and return the form to Mr. Lindsay. Please keep the top portion for your records.

Sincerely,  
Mr. Lindsay

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I have read and understood Mr. Lindsay’s math goals and classroom policies.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_