

# Positive Environment

## Classroom Expectations:

Success looks like trying my very personal best and engaging in the lesson.

Respect looks like listening to others and raising my hand/speaking at appropriate times.

Responsible looks like bringing my materials every day and completing assignments to the best of my ability.

Honest looks like doing my own work and asking myself "Do I understand? Do I need more support?"

Kind looks like thinking before I speak and embracing diversity.

Safe looks like walking in the classroom and sitting properly at my personal or group work space.



# Course Description

## & Curriculum

Mathematics plays a huge part in developing human thought and logic, and helps us better understand the world and ourselves.

Mathematics provides an effective way of building mental discipline and encourages logical reasoning. We can use our math knowledge to assist in understanding other school subjects such as science, social studies, music and art. Classwork and assessments will align with the Utah Core Standards for Mathematics. (Visit [www.uen.org/core](http://www.uen.org/core) to access these standards.)

# Middle School Math with Miss Smith

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# Miss Smith is a...

- Mathematician
- family-oriented gal
- singer & music fanatic
- baker & cook
- Zumba enthusiast
- hiker, biker & swimmer
- cat lover

# Supply List



- Fresh mask every day!
- Math three-ring binder & dividers
- Math notebook w/ lined paper
- Graph paper
- Calculator
- Ruler & protractor
- Sticky notes
- Whiteboard, markers & eraser
- Pencils, erasers & carry case
- Highlighters/markers/crayons
- Disinfecting wipes/sanitizer
- Other everyday materials needed/used in all classes

# Homework Policy



This course requires daily homework, unless otherwise stated. Students should expect 10-20 minutes of daily homework (in or outside of class time) & have ready to turn in &/or correct/grade the next class period. RA Homework Policy:

[https://renacademy.org/dynamic/content/1230/29/grading\\_policy\\_aspire\\_gradebook\\_instructions\\_2018-19.pdf](https://renacademy.org/dynamic/content/1230/29/grading_policy_aspire_gradebook_instructions_2018-19.pdf)

# Grading Policy & Aspire <https://renaissance.usoe-dcs.org/Login.aspx>

Assignments will be graded on a weekly basis, either during class or by the teacher. The grading scale for this class is aligned with Renaissance Academy's Grading Policy, located at [https://renacademy.org/dynamic/content/1230/29/grading\\_policy\\_aspire\\_gradebook\\_instructions\\_2018-19.pdf](https://renacademy.org/dynamic/content/1230/29/grading_policy_aspire_gradebook_instructions_2018-19.pdf).



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Treat Idea #1

Treat Idea #2

# Behavior Plan & Dress Code

## Classroom Rules:

One voice at a time 🗣️ Use polite and appropriate language 😊  
Respect each other's property 📁 Ask a question when you have one 🙋

Positive Consequences – for good behavior, following class norms, completing assignments etc.

- Free-choice activities, approved math games, free-dress day, etc. (may be rewarded individually or for the whole-class)

Negative Consequences – for the lack of following classroom norms

- Warning/Reminder – it's as simple as that!
- Behavior Reflection – parents will receive a copy via email
- Loss of Privileges/Office Referral – depending on infraction

RA Dress Code Policy: <https://renacademy.org/dress-code> 



# Parent Communication

Parents should expect to receive weekly emails about this course. These emails will include information about what we covered throughout the week, what's to come the following week, homework assignments and document attachments, assessment information, reminders and important dates, and helpful links. *Weekly info will also be available at [chelseasmith18.weebly.com](http://chelseasmith18.weebly.com).*

# Retakes

Students who wish to re-submit an assignment or retake an assessment to improve their grade are more than welcome to do so. Prior to retaking an assessment, students must complete a [Request to Retest form](#), submit it, and review it with Miss Smith after she has reviewed changes/corrections that have been made.

# Makeup Work Policy

For short term absences, students can make up missed work through Google Classroom. Students will not be penalized for illness related absences. For long term absences, an individualized makeup work plan will be created. (Please email Miss Smith to arrange a plan in advance, if possible.) All makeup work is due one week before the end of the term.

# Google Classroom

**What?:** Google Classroom is a web service for schools that simplifies creating and distributing assignments.

**Why?:** The primary purpose of Google Classroom here at Renaissance is to streamline the process of sharing files between teachers and students.

Miss Smith's Google Classroom will be accessible to students 24/7; if a student is absent or in need of a new homework/assignment copy, handouts, videos, websites, etc. will be available and organized by date of the in-class lesson & distribution.

# Mastery Connect

**What?:** "Mastery Connect is a competency-based learning platform that helps teachers identify levels of understanding, target students for intervention, and inform instruction." – [masteryconnect.com](http://masteryconnect.com)

**Why?:** Mastery Connect is a standards-based program, giving immediate feedback on standards needing to be retaught & which students are in need of remediation. Teachers have more time to teach & students have more time to learn thanks to this amazing program. 😊

# Technology Agreement

Technology integration is a key component of learning in the classroom. Students will have access to Chromebooks and/or other technology on a weekly basis, which will be used for specific content-related tasks and activities. To ensure that our classroom technology is used appropriately, it is crucial that students commit to following our technology policy, as outlined at <https://renacademy.org/policies-procedures>, using the [Technology Security Policy](#) link.

# Please Sign Here

(return by Tues, Aug. 25th)



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Parent Signature

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Student Signature