Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Period: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Class Contract* with Mr. Tallman

Class Website: **mrtallmanmath.weebly.com**

Welcome to Seventh Grade Math! This year, we will be exploring a variety of different concepts in order to prepare you for Eighth Grade Math and beyond! These topics include our number systems, equation solving, geometry, ratios, proportions and percents.

The following is a contract which outlines the rules and procedures that are to be followed in this classroom and is intended to help you be successful and to do your absolute best! Please **sign this contract and attach it to the front of your Math binder or notebook.** This contract is to remain visible in your Math binder or notebook for the entire school year.

**1. Materials for Class**: You will need the following every day:

* Math Notebinder (3 subject, 3-holes, 3 plastic rings – College Ruled)
* #2 pencils, and a highlighter.
* Calculator: TI-30XIIS Scientific Calculator

\*\*All of these materials are to be brought to class every day. If you are missing any of these materials, you will be unprepared which will impact your grade (see grading policy below)\*\*

**2. Student Responsibilities:** In order to be successful and to do your best every day, you are responsible for the following:

* Your own behavior and following the class rules (see below)
* Getting to class ***on time*** and being prepared for work when the bell rings.
* Your own work.
* Being ready for tests and quizzes.
* Completing homework assignments.
* Making up all work due to an absence. All work (classwork and homework) will be posted on my website: **mrtallmanmath.weebly.com**
* Seeking extra help when you do not understand the material or have been absent (days and times will be posted on my website).

**3. Class Policies**

* You are expected to participate in class every day. Participation includes raising your hand to ask or answer questions, respectfully listening to others, taking notes, paying attention, and actively participating in group work.
* **Homework**:
  + Homework will be assigned most nights. Homework will be due at the beginning of the next class day, unless otherwise noted.
  + Missing homework will result in a 5 point reduction from your homework average.
  + Missing homework can be made up and shown to me ***the day after it is due*** for two points back. Missing homework will not be accepted more than one day late.
  + All homework will be posted in the classroom and on my website. If you are absent, it is your responsibility to make up all homework and hand it in on the day you return to class to avoid point reduction.
* **Tests and Quizzes**
  + **Tests:** You will be given an in class test at the end of each major unit or major topic. Tests will always be announced at least one week in advance of the test. Review sheets may be handed out 1-2 days prior to the test, and we may have an in-class review session the day before the test. **Try your best not to be absent the day before a test.** If you are absent the day before a test and are in school on the day of the test, **you will still have to take the test.** If you are absent on the day of a test, you will be expected to take the test the day you return.
  + **Quizzes:** Quizzes will be given at various times throughout the marking period. The quizzes may be in-class or take home. In-class quizzes may or may not be announced.
  + **Missing a Test or Quiz:** Failure to make up a test or a quiz will result in a grade of zero. It is your responsibility to see me if you have to make up a test or a quiz.
* **Student Conduct and Behavior**
  + Students are expected to behave appropriately in class as outlined in the BMCHSD Code of Student Conduct. Behavior issues will be dealt with in the following manner:
    - 1st Offense: Verbal Warning
    - 2nd Offense: Student conference with teacher.
    - 3rd Offense: Contact parents.
    - 4th Offense: Lunch and/or after school detention.
    - 5th Offense: Referral to the Dean of Students.
  + My most important rule above all else is respect. I will show you respect just like I expect you to show respect to your classmates and myself.

**4. Grading Policy**

* Grades in this class are calculated on a “total points” basis. Quizzes will be typically worth between 30 and 50 points and tests will typically be worth 75-100 points.
* Students will have a Homework grade, which will be counted as 50 points. All students begin each marking period with all 50 Homework points. Each missing homework will result in a 5 point reduction. Students can make up missing homework in order to receive two points back.
* Students will have a Participation and Behavior grade, which will be counted as 50 points. All students begin each marking period with a 50 Participation/Behavior grade. Points will be deducted from this grade for a variety of reasons. Some of these reasons include, but are not limited to coming to class unprepared (i.e. missing calculator, having nothing to write with), getting to class late, misbehavior, etc. The best way to avoid a point reduction from this grade is to come to class prepared, to be ready to work when the bell rings, and to have a positive attitude every day.

**It is my understanding that failure to follow these policies will affect my performance in this class and will be reflected in my quarterly grade. I understand and agree to this classroom contract.**

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**Student Signature Date**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature Date**