



Fifth Grade Math - 2020 -- 2021

Teacher: Ellie O'Connor

Grade Level: 5th

Subject: Math

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Welcome!

Welcome to 5th Grade at Hampstead Hill Academy! While I know this year is going to look very different, I am so excited to begin this school year with your students. Fifth grade is incredibly important, as it helps to prepare students for middle school. This year it will be critical that we act as a team to support your student in their learning. Your involvement, though monitoring your student's work and open communication, will help me to make virtual learning as successful as possible for your student. Your student should be checking their email and Google Classroom daily. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, or concerns you might have. I look forward to getting to know you and your amazing student during their fifth grade year at HHA!



About Me:

My name is Ellie O'Connor and this is my 6th year at Hampstead Hill Academy. In 2014, I received my undergraduate degree from Loyola University Maryland in Elementary Education. I then returned to my home state of Delaware, where I earned my master's degree in Education from Wilmington University. While pursuing my master's degree, I taught Fundamentals of Mathematics at Delaware Technical Community College. I then returned to Baltimore and began working at HHA. When I am not at school, I enjoy trying new recipes, reading, and working in my garden.

Math Overview:

Eureka Math

In fifth grade, we utilize the Eureka Math curriculum. This course will emphasize critical thinking, discussion, class work, and problem solving to prepare students for sixth grade math and beyond! Students will work through six modules in the fifth grade curriculum.

- Module 1: *Place Value and Decimal Fractions*
- Module 2: *Multi-Digit Whole Number and Decimal Fraction Operations*
- Module 3: *Addition and Subtraction of Fractions*
- Module 4: *Multiplication and Division of Fractions and Decimal Fractions*
- Module 5: *Addition and Multiplication with Volume and Area*
- Module 6: *Problem Solving with the Coordinate Plane*

While Eureka can be a challenging curriculum, it does a wonderful job of helping students achieve mastery of fifth grade content and preparing students for later learning. We will often learn multiple methods for solving, and I encourage students to work to find the method that works best for their learning style. Additional information, as well as parent support (in both English and Spanish) can be found online using the following link:

<https://greatminds.org/math/parents>.

Virtual Supplies:

- Composition book
- 1 pack of pencils
- Dry erase markers
- Dry Erase Sleeve (pick up at Meet Your Teacher or HHA)

Grading Policy:

- Assessments - 40%
- Classwork - 50%
- Participation - 10%

Student Behavior and Expectations:

All students are expected to follow Hampstead Hill Academy's school-wide expectations, which state that students are to be respectful, responsible, safe, caring, and friendly. Online expectations include the following:

1. *Be prepared* - Join the Zoom meeting on time with the materials you need. Complete assignments by 7:45am each morning.
2. *Be respectful* - Listen to the speaker. Be respectful of everyone on the Zoom meeting.
3. *Be appropriate* - Come dressed appropriately. Raise your hand for permission to speak. Share questions and relevant ideas. Don't type or share silly comments.

4. *Be a learner* - Participate by listening to your teacher and classmates. Share your ideas. Try your best!
5. *Be in control* - Work in an environment where you can focus. Make sure you are in control of your body on video and do not distract others.

Homework:

Students will not receive “homework” during virtual learning. However, students will need to finish independent work on a daily basis during asynchronous times. It will be the expectation that this work is completed and submitted by 7:45 am the next morning.

Make Up Work:

Missing work will be accessible on google classroom. Students will be given an equal amount of time to finish missing work. (Ex: If the student missed one day, they will have one day to complete make up work) Students must provide an excusable reason for missing class from a parent or guardian.

Coach Class:

I will be available for coach class on a daily basis from 1:15 - 2:05pm. This time may include open zoom sessions available for any student with questions, time to finish independent work assignments, targeted small group sessions with those required to attend, etc. This will be specified on a daily basis.

Progress Reports:

Your child will receive a progress report each quarter (mid-quarter) to keep you informed of their grades. Please continue to check your child’s Google Classroom and Infinite Campus for updates to their grades.

- Infinite Campus: <https://baltimore.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/bcps.jsp>

Newsletter:

Please visit <https://hha47.org> to view the monthly HHA Parents News Magazine.

Ongoing Communication:

You can expect me to answer any contacts within 24 hours M-F or first thing on Monday morning if you contact me during the weekend. My contact hours are from **7:30 AM - 6 PM**. If you need to contact me immediately, please email me or send me a message on Bloomz. But please be aware if you send a message outside of these hours, I will reply the following morning.

- 5th Grade Website

- Bloomz: www.bloomz.net and via the app
- School website: www.hha47.org
- Email: eoconnor@hha47.org

** It should be noted that **all school communication** is moving to the app Bloomz. This is a transition from the way communication has traditionally occurred. During transition, I will be available through email, but as a school we are moving to solely communicating on Bloomz.

Schedule:

5th Grade Distance Learning Student Schedule	
9:00-9:30	Homeroom
9:30-10:30	Core 1
10:30-11:30	Core 2
11:30-12:15	Lunch Break
12:15-1:15	Core 3
1:15-2:05	Independent Work Time Teacher Office Hours
2:10-2:50	Resource