

Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year
Bella Vista Middle School
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Welcome to Bella Vista Middle School! We are all looking forward to a fun and productive year.

ABOUT ME: My name is Brandon Archie and I will be your child's math teacher this year. I graduated from UCLA with a B.A. in Economics-International Area Studies. I also have an M.A. in Economics from Cal State Fullerton. I have been teaching since 2007 and have been at Bella Vista Silverhawk since 2015. I am a mother to four: Micaiah, Brenden and Aiden and Azariah. I can't wait to meet each of you!

CLASS REQUIREMENTS

STUDENT WORK: We will utilize online resources, including CANVAS, Nearpod and Google Classroom. Additionally, students will be asked to take notes in a composition book. Access to notes will be available on CANVAS. Do not throw anything away! Keep your work all year!

CATEGORY WEIGHTING: Each category of assignments is weighted as follows:

65% Assessments (quizzes, unit tests, etc)

5% District Assessments

20% Classwork

10% Homework

Grades are posted online. I will update the grades regularly and students/parents/guardians are encouraged to access them often.

TUTORING/ASSISTANCE: My job is to help you in any way I can. If you look at the schedule below, you will notice there is time integrated for intervention and individual help. I will offer tutoring by appointment. Parents/guardians are welcome to email me to discuss questions/concerns.

RESOURCES: Each student has access to a workbook in class. Students will also have access to resources online.

CURRICULUM: This year we will cover statistics, number systems, geometry, ratios and proportions, expressions, equations and inequalities.

COMMUNICATION: Parents, we need to be able to communicate via email, so ensure the email address we have on file is correct and current. Students we will communicate through TVUSD email and/or Canvas inbox. Please make sure you check both daily.

******All information and policies listed within this letter may be amended******

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY GUIDELINES

REQUESTED DAILY MATERIALS: The following materials are requested in order to support your child's success in math:

1. 2 composition notebooks- All notes and work must be neatly organized by numbered page and date. This notebook must be kept for reference the entire year.
2. Mechanical pencils or several sharpened pencils
3. Pens- In order to differentiate key facts within the notes, students are encouraged to have several different colored pens.
4. Small White Board
5. Dry Erase Markers.
6. Dry Erase Marker Eraser (rag/sock)
7. Headphones or earbuds
8. **CHARGED CHROMEBOOK!!!!!!**

... and most importantly, a positive attitude!

MASK: All students are expected to wear their mask for the duration of class.

FOLLOW DIRECTIONS: Following directions is so important, especially in math. Math is a step-oriented discipline that requires focus in order to master. If you listen and follow directions at all times, your experience in math will be much more successful.

SELF CONTROL: Self monitoring is an essential part of development. Please be aware of how your behavior is affecting others and monitor this.

BE CONSIDERATE: When someone is talking, please listen. Show the same respect to others that you expect from them.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES: Be Present! Students please turn off cell phone and all other electronic devices before you enter school.

VIDEOS: Students will have the opportunity to view standards-based video clips throughout the school year. Videos will be of a G and PG rating.