## August 31, 2020

## To: Parents and Students

Hello and welcome to New Providence Middle School! My name is Brandi Juengel and I will be your child's math teacher for the upcoming year. I was born and raised in Michigan and grew up with four older sisters. I attended Michigan State University where I obtained a bachelor's degree in elementary education with an endorsement in middle school mathematics and ESL for grades K-12. I moved to Tennessee three years ago where I taught 5<sup>th</sup> grade math and this year will be my fourth year at NPMS teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade math.

Math is an important subject which helps in lifelong success and thus I hope to help your child foster a love of mathematics as well as grow into a well-rounded and confident student. During class we will use a variety of materials to help accomplish this. Your child's grades will be based on the following grading scale: A = 100-93, B = 92-85, C = 84-75, D = 74-70, F = 69-0. Students will be assigned homework, quizzes, tests, and projects.

With students engaging in virtual learning this year to help students better understand material, we have given math notebooks to each student so that they can write and add to them each day. If for any reason they lose this, there is a digital copy on the class website. In addition to this, while it is not required, some students like to purchase their own personal calculator. Students will be able to use a calculator on their computer, however, I encourage students to become less dependent on calculators as we move through the curriculum this upcoming year. In addition to notebooks, we will be using the IXL program in school as this will help reinforce your child's math skills.

## Communication

Communication is key in education, not only between teacher and student, but the parents and teacher as well. Therefore, I want to make sure that I have as many lines of communication open to you, as you are the most important person in the student's life. The easier and most effective way to contact me is by email. My e-mail address is <a href="mailto:brandi.juengel@cmcss.net">brandi.juengel@cmcss.net</a>. Please feel free to email regardless of the time or day; usually, I will get back to you within a few hours. If you do not have email available, I have a school telephone which I can be reached during my planning period between 9:50 and 10:30 on most days. The number is 931-648-5655. If you call and I am not available please leave a message and I will contact you as soon as possible. About every 4 weeks during the school year you will receive information from me about the progress of your child. In addition, you may also view their current grades at the following website address: <a href="https://powerschool.cmcss.net">https://powerschool.cmcss.net</a>

If you have not signed up to receive remind notifications through text message and would like to do so, text @msjuen to the number 81010.

I am looking forward to working with your child as we continue to grow and learn together!

Sincerely,

Brandi Juengel 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Teacher New Providence Middle School Clarksville-Montgomery County School System

