## **GRADE 7 MATHEMATICS: PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Keys to success include regular attendance, active participation, and both completion and reflection on assignments and activities.

The Grade 7 Mathematics curriculum is divided into four streams:

- Number Sense (fractions, integers, decimal numbers, percent)
- Shape and Space (circles, area, geometric shapes)
- Patterns and Relations (Algebraic equations, graphs, patterns)
- Statistics and Probability (data representation and bias, measures of central tendency, probability of independent events)

Emphasis is on building essential skills, real-world problem-solving activities, and concrete understanding. Students will be provided with a variety of math related activities including problem-solving, group collaboration, using manipulatives and hands-on math learning. All math units are organized to build as students strengthen their understanding and skills, from beginning to intermediate to advanced outcomes.

## **Expectations:**

- Regular attendance.
- Active participation, attempting questions at their level as they work through a unit.
- Completing assignments, reflecting on feedback, and working on corrections to improve skills.
- Teacher feedback is provided to strengthen skills and understanding.
- As students master outcomes, they move to the next level in the unit.
- Collaboration and respect for all during group work.

## Assessment:

- Assessment methods are outcome based. An outcome is a skill or application of a skill or concept in a unit.
- Students are provided with frequent opportunities to demonstrate mastery of unit outcomes.
- Students are assessed on their best, most recent work in a unit.
- All math units are organized for students to build their understanding, step by step, from beginning outcomes to intermediate to advanced outcomes.
- Assessment for learning with teacher feedback: students can examine their work as they move through a unit, making corrections to improve.
- Students are provided with frequent opportunities to demonstrate mastery of unit outcomes.
- Students can practice and demonstrate learning through problem-solving activities, solving puzzles, mental math, exit slips, math journals, assignments, projects, quizzes and tests.

 Self assessment throughout a unit will also inform students of their own progress.

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Advanced students will be provided with enrichment opportunities and math challenges.

In accordance with the province-wide report card template, student progress reports will include specific reference to three assessment categories: *Knowledge and Understanding*, *Mental Math / Estimation*, and *Problem Solving*.

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