

# WELCOME TO 2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER!

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## Ms. Walborn's Classroom Newsletter

### Welcome to Ms. Walborn's Class

Hello! My name is Ms. Lindsey Walborn and I will be your student's Math 1 teacher this semester. I graduated from Bowling Green State University in Ohio with a degree that allows me to teach middle and high school math. I have spent the first 7 years teaching math at AL Brown in Kannapolis and made the transition to Carson in the Spring of 2014. In addition to teaching, I am the advisor for the ultimate Frisbee club. I am very excited to work with you and your child this semester!

I encourage you to stay involved in your child's education and contact me with any questions or concerns.



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This is the best means of communication with me!

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### Grading

The following is the grading scale:

Weekly Quizzes	40%
Tests	40%
Work (in class and home)	20%

### My Expectations

I have high expectations of all of my students. This year I will challenge all students to try their very best in my classroom. I strongly believe that every child is able to learn math if he/she puts forth the effort. I will be openly available to answer any questions they may have, but will challenge them to work together to come to conclusions with their peers.

I expect my students to be in class and be prepared. I understand that sickness occurs, but they are responsible for the material and work missed. In mathematics concepts build on one another and create a solid wall of understanding. Missing one day causes a hole in the wall and will eventually cause the wall to crumble if enough is stacked on top of it.

I practice respect for my students and ask that they do the same for me, each other, and themselves. If we all respect each other's imperfections and accomplishments we can grow together and learn from one another.

I expect my students to be positive. Math can sometimes be difficult and frustrating. I welcome this frustration, but ask that my students approach it with a positive attitude. We are all in this together and working through these struggles is what will truly make each and every student successful.

## Homework?!?!

Students will have homework nearly every night, including Friday. Homework will consist of a few problems intended to:

1. Review previous concepts.
2. Review current content.
3. Foreshadow/prepare for next topic.

If you ever have a question about whether your child has homework, please consult the class website for the assignment.

## Tutoring? Extra Help?

A tutoring schedule will be posted on the board at the beginning of each week. Morning tutoring sessions will run from 7:10-7:30 and afternoon will run from 2:40- 3:20. Occasionally planned tutoring sessions may need to be cancelled due to unplanned meetings.

Previously learned topics will be refreshed in class, but if further re-teaching and/or review is necessary students are encouraged to attend these sessions.



## Supplies

Your child will need the following supplies this semester:

1. 3 ring binder or spiral notebook
2. Pencils
3. Graph paper (optional)
4. Dry Erase Marker

## What are we Studying?

We will begin the semester studying reasoning and proof. We will discuss different types of reasoning and ways to think about problems. We will then move to proving triangles congruent and similar. These will require students to explain and justify their reasoning. This will include needing to remember many theorems, postulates and definitions. We will mainly use two column style proofs, but will also discuss paragraph and flow chart proof styles.

## Important 2nd Semester Dates

### No School (Teacher Workdays)

Monday February 16

Thursday March 26

Friday March 27

### No School (Holidays)

Monday March 30 – Friday April 3

Monday May 25

### Progress Reports Distributed

Thursday February 12

Thursday March 5

Wednesday April 29

Wednesday May 20

### Open House

TBD

### Early Release Day

Friday February 13