

# 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Functional Math Class

## Students Will Know/ Students Will Be Able To...

Report Card Skill: Solve problems with ratio reasoning	
<b>For this skill, students will know:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Difference between Ratios (comparison of one number to another) and Rates (comparison of 2 quantities measured in different units such as price per pound)</li> <li>• Various strategies to represent ratio situations</li> </ul>	<b>For this skill, students will be able to:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recognize various situations as ratios</li> <li>• Identify missing number in a ratio</li> <li>• Write a ratio in 3 different ways</li> <li>• Model ratios using concrete and visual methods</li> <li>• Use multiplication skills to find equivalent ratios</li> <li>• Demonstrate several ways to solve ratios problems dealing with real world situations, including unit rates</li> </ul>

Report Card Skill: Solve basic facts fluently	
<b>For this skill, students will know:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The conceptual difference between <math>+/ -</math> and <math>x/ \div</math></li> <li>• Basic Facts <math>x/ \div</math> 0-9</li> <li>• Strategies for difficult facts/problems, including deconstructing numbers to allow use of known facts (for instance, I don't know <math>7 \times 6</math>, but I know <math>5 \times 6</math> and <math>2 \times 6</math> <math>30 + 12 = 42</math>)</li> <li>• Terminology related to <math>x/ \div</math> (product, factors, multiples, etc.)</li> </ul>	<b>For this skill, students will be able to:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrate a basic proficiency of fact knowledge and steady growth based on individual baselines</li> <li>• Use proficient facts in problem solving</li> <li>• Demonstrate an understanding of various properties of math related to multiplication/division (identity property, associative property, commutative property, etc.) and be able to use them in strategic ways.</li> <li>• Deconstruct numbers and use mental math strategies</li> </ul>

Report Card Skill: Perform operations with fractions	
<b>For this skill, students will know:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basic fractions as a part of a whole or a part of a group</li> <li>• Difference between the numerator and the denominator</li> <li>• The “why” behind the basic operations when working with fractions</li> </ul>	<b>For this skill, students will be able to:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify fractions represented by models</li> <li>• Model fractions in various ways (unit bars, number lines, etc.)</li> <li>• Compare unit fractions</li> <li>• Compare fractions with unlike denominators</li> <li>• Add/subtract/multiply/divide basic fractions using concrete and visual models.</li> <li>• Use <math>x/ \div</math> to find common denominators or simplify.</li> </ul>

**Report Card Skill: Problem solves using a visual model****For this skill, students will know:**

- A basic 7 step strategy useful when solving 80% of word problems
- How to organize mathematical information neatly on a page
- Several ways to solve a given problem
- How to think algebraically

**For this skill, students will be able to:**

- Read and break down a word problem
- Create and label a visual unit bar model to demonstrate number sense and algebraic thinking
- Solve using various methods – showing all mathematical thinking in an organized way
- Write a complete sentence to answer the questions posed in the word problem.
- Reflect on their problem solving skills using a scoring rubric
- Create word problems of their own for others to solve

**Report Card Skill: Create and solve basic equations with variables****For this skill, students will know:**

- The difference between a variable, a coefficient and a constant
- Several properties that are useful when problem solving with variables.

**For this skill, students will be able to:**

- Use variables when working with ratios or word problems
- Complete input/output tables
- Write and solve equations with variables to solve word problems
- Solve and graph equations representing proportional relationships.

**Report Card Skill: Problem solves with basic shapes in geometry****For this skill, students will know:**

- Basic terminology related to geometry
- How to model area and perimeter in concrete ways

**For this skill, students will be able to:**

- Demonstrate the area of basic shapes using concrete and pictorial representations
- Deconstruct complex polygons into basic shapes to solve for area and perimeter
- Solve for missing measurements (angles or sides) in a basic shape.
- Solve for missing measurements using variables.