



Math - Grade 8

Course Description:

The Indian Community School cultivates an enduring cultural identity and critical thinking by weaving indigenous teachings with a distinguished learning environment. The curriculum for this course is developed from the [Common Core State Standards for Mathematics](#) and the framework of the [ICS Our Ways Cultural Calendar](#). In this course, eighth grade students will focus on three critical areas: (1) formulating and reasoning about expressions and equations, including modeling an association in bivariate data with a linear equation, and solving linear equations and systems of linear equations; (2) grasping the concept of a function and using functions to describe quantitative relationships; (3) analyzing two- and three-dimensional space and figures using distance, angle, similarity, and congruence, and understanding and applying the Pythagorean Theorem.

Enduring Understandings:

- The linear equation $y=mx + b$ is used to define linear functions and graphs of straight lines.
- Performing operations in scientific notation, including problems with both decimal and scientific notation, enhances the use of the properties of integer exponents and radicals.
- Classifying numbers as rational or irrational will determine if the value is exact or approximate as a decimal or fraction.
- Slope is calculated to connect proportional relationships, lines, and linear equations.
- Pairs of simultaneous linear equations, known as systems of equations, can be solved algebraically and graphically to represent and model real world problems.
- Functions are used to describe quantitative relationships where one quantity determines another by using graphs, tables, or algebraic descriptors.
- Solving linear equations with multiple steps can be used to solve different kinds of problems and apply to real life situations.
- Understanding and applying the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse connects the theorem to slope of a line, distance in a coordinate plane, and in three-dimensions.
- Constructing, describing, and interpreting scatter plots for bivariate measurement data creates an informal line of best fit for the data so that predictions can be made.
- Congruence and similarity can be expressed by using physical models and drawings to describe the effects of rotations, dilations, reflections, and translations.
- The formulas for volume of cylinders, cones, and spheres are used to solve real-world and mathematical problems.

FUNCTIONS

- I can explain how a function is a rule that assigns each input as exactly one output. (8.F.A.1)
- I can graph functions as a set of ordered pairs consisting of an input and corresponding output. (8.F.A.1)
- I can compare properties of two functions each represented in a different way involving algebraically, graphically, numerically in tables, and by verbal descriptions. (8.F.A.2)
- I can interpret the equation $y = mx + b$ as defining a linear function whose graph is a straight line. (8.F.A.3)



FUNCTIONS (continued)

- I can give examples of functions that are not linear. (8.F.A.3)
- I can construct a function to model a linear relationship between two quantities. (8.F.B.4)
- I can determine the rate of change of the function from a description of a relationship or from two (x, y) values, including reading these from a table or from a graph. (8.F.B.4)
- I can determine the initial value of the function from a description of a relationship or from two (x, y) values, including reading these from a table or from a graph. (8.F.B.4)
- I can analyze a graph and describe qualitatively the functional relationship between two quantities. (8.F.B.5)
- I can sketch a graph to model a given verbal situation. (8.F.B.5)

THE NUMBER SYSTEM

- I can distinguish between rational and irrational numbers. (8.NS.A.1)
- I can show every number has a decimal expansion. (8.NS.A.1)
- I can show that the decimal representation of rational numbers terminates. (8.NS.A.1)
- I can convert a repeating decimal into a fraction. (8.NS.A.1)
- I can find rational approximations of irrational numbers to compare the size of irrational numbers. (8.NS.A.2)
- I can locate and compare rational and irrational numbers on a number line. (8.NS.A.2)
- I can estimate the value of an irrational expression. (8.NS.A.2)

EXPRESSIONS AND EQUATIONS

- I can infer the properties of integer exponents and use them to generate equivalent numerical expressions. (8.EE.A.1)
- I can use square root symbols to represent solutions to equations in the form $x^2 = p$ where p is a positive rational number. (8.EE.A.2)
- I can use cube root symbols to represent solutions to equations in the form $x^3 = p$ where p is a positive rational number. (8.EE.A.2)
- I can demonstrate understanding that $\sqrt{2}$ is irrational. (8.EE.A.2)
- I can express very small and very large numbers using the power of 10 and a power. (8.EE.A.3)
- I can compare quantities by expressing how many times more one is compared to the other. (8.EE.A.3)
- I can perform operations with numbers expressed in scientific notation including numbers in both decimal form and scientific notation. (8.EE.A.4)
- I can use scientific notation to choose units of appropriate size for measurement of very large or very small quantities. (8.EE.A.4)
- I can interpret scientific notation that has been generated by technology. (8.EE.A.4)



EXPRESSIONS AND EQUATIONS (continued)

- I can graph proportional relationships by interpreting the unit rate as the slope of the graph. (8.EE.B.5)
- I can compare two different proportional relationships represented in different ways. (8.EE.B.5)
- I can use similar triangles to explain why the slope m is the same between any two distinct points on a non-vertical line in the coordinate plane. (8.EE.B.6)
- I can derive the equation $y = mx + b$ for a line through the origin and for intercepting the vertical axis b . (8.EE.B.6)
- I can solve linear equations in one variable. (8.EE.C.7)
- I can interpret the number of solutions to a linear equation, one variable with one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solutions. (8.EE.C.7.A)
- I can solve linear equations with rational number coefficients, including equations, whose solutions require expanding expressions using the distributive property and collecting like terms. (8.EE.C.7.B)
- I can analyze and solve pairs of simultaneous linear equations. (8.EE.C.8)
- I can define the solution to a system of equations as the intersection of their lines on a graph. (8.EE.C.8.A)
- I can solve two linear equations by graphing the equations to show inspection and no solution. (8.EE.C.8.B)
- I can solve real world problems leading to two linear equations in two variables. (8.EE.C.8.C)

GEOMETRY

- I can rotate geometric shapes in the coordinate plane. (8.G.A.1)
- I can reflect geometric shapes in the coordinate plane. (8.G.A.1)
- I can translate geometric shapes in the coordinate plane. (8.G.A.1)
- I can verify that line segments that are rotated, reflected, and/or translated transform to line segments of the same length. (8.G.A.1.A)
- I can verify that angles that are rotated, reflected, and/or translated transform to angles of the same measure. (8.G.A.1.B)
- I can verify that parallel lines that are rotated, reflected, and/or translated transform to parallel lines. (8.G.A.1.C)
- I can describe how a two-dimensional figure is congruent to another if the second can be obtained from the first by a sequence of transformations that exhibits the congruency between two figures. (8.G.A.2)
- I can describe the effect of dilations, translations, rotations, and reflections on two-dimensional figures using coordinates. (8.G.A.3)
- I can describe that a two-dimensional figure is similar to another if the second can be obtained from the first by a sequence of transformations involving rotations, reflections, translations, and dilations that exhibits the similarity between two figures. (8.G.A.4)
- I can describe a sequence that shows the similarity between two similar two-dimensional figures. (8.G.A.4)



GEOMETRY (continued)

- I can use exploration and deductive reasoning to determine relationships that exists between interior and exterior sums of triangles. (8.G.A.5)
- I can use exploration and deductive reasoning to determine relationships that exists between angles created when parallel lines are cut by a transversal. (8.G.A.5)
- I can use exploration and deductive reasoning to determine relationships that exists between the angle-angle criterion for similarity of triangles. (8.G.A.5)
- I can explain a proof of the Pythagorean Theorem and its converse. (8.G.B.6)
- I can apply the Pythagorean Theorem to determine unknown side lengths in right triangles in mathematical and real-world problems in two and three dimensions. (8.G.B.7)
- I can apply the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance between two points in a coordinate system. (8.G.B.8)
- I can apply the formula for volume of a cone and use it to solve real-world and problems. (8.G.C.9)
- I can demonstrate understanding of the formula for volume of a cylinder and use it to solve real-world and problems. (8.G.C.9)
- I can demonstrate understanding of the formula for volume of a sphere and use it to solve real-world and problems. (8.G.C.9)

STATISTICS AND PROBABILITY

- I can construct and interpret a scatter plot for bivariate measurement data. (8.SP.A.1)
- I can describe patterns of association between two quantities in a scatter plot. (8.SP.A.1)
- I can recognize when a scatter plot represents a linear relationship. (8.SP.A.2)
- I can informally fit a straight line for scatter plots that suggest a linear association. (8.SP.A.2)
- I can informally assess the model fit by judging the closeness of the data to the points on the line. (8.SP.A.2)
- I can use the equation of a linear model to solve problems by interpreting the slope and y-intercept of the equation of a linear model in the context of the problem. (8.SP.A.3)
- I can recognize that categorical data can also be described numerically through the use of a two-way table. (8.SP.A.4)
- I can construct and interpret a two-way table summarizing data on two categorical variables collected from the same subjects. (8.SP.A.4)
- I can use relative frequencies calculated for rows or columns to describe possible association between the two variables. (8.SP.A.4)