Dear 8th Grade Students and Families,

As part of my continual efforts to support students in reaching proficiency towards our math HPE standards I would like to communicate the process for students to make improvements to their grades.

Before a student or parent asks how a student can improve their grade, they should review the letter on the process I use for grading and what makes up a grade.

The most important concept is that final grades consist of only summative work, which usually comes at the end of a unit or part of a unit, and directly assesses progress towards our state and district adopted standards. This means that students **cannot do extra credit to improve grades**. The only way to improve a grade in my classes is to show evidence that supports a student has made further growth towards the standards.

**To improve scores in math and HPE a student must:**

* Make corrections on work (guidance from Mr. Beaudin)
* Complete supplementary materials to practice concepts they have missed and conference me until I feel they have made progress to warrant a retake.
* Retake an assessment or alternate assignment over the same concepts (Scores will replace previous scores).
* Finish or redo poorly done mathia work spaces.

**To assist students with their grades parents can:**

* Check Infinite Campus twice a week
* Check student’s agendas (if they keep one)
* Look at missing assignments on Infinite Campus (do not look at google classroom).
* Encourage students to follow up on missing work or continue to work on a summative to improve grade

The deadline for missing work or completing the retake process is typically the end of the quarter, but please keep in mind that improving grades is a process and takes time. Asking how to improve a grade the week grades are due is too late.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

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