# Instructional Vocabulary

# Grade 6 Math

Unit 1: Numerical Understanding: Whole Numbers, Fractions, Decimals, and Integers

- Equivalent having the same value
- Integers the set of whole numbers and their opposites
- Non-negative rational numbers the set of numbers that includes whole numbers, positive fractions, and positive decimals

**Unit 2:** Numerical Understanding and Operations: Factors, Multiples, and Operations with Whole Numbers

- Greatest common factor the largest factor that two or more numbers have in common
- Least common multiple the smallest multiple that two or more numbers have in common
- Order of operations the rules of which calculation comes first when simplifying an expression
- **Prime factorization** the process of decomposing a composite number as a unique product of prime factors

Unit 3: Numerical Operations: Addition and Subtraction of Fractions and Decimals

- **Common denominator** a common multiple of the denominators of two or more fractions
- Least common denominator the least common multiple of the denominators of two or more fractions

**Unit 4:** Proportionality: Representations and Applications

- **Percent** a part of a whole expressed in hundredths
- **Proportion** two equivalent ratios
- Rate a ratio that compares two units of measure of different types
- Ratio a comparison of two quantities

**Unit 5:** Algebraic Representations and Applications

- Arithmetic sequence a sequence of numbers that have a constant rate of change
- **Coordinate system** a two-dimensional system with a horizontal and vertical axis that intersect at the origin and lie in a plane creating four Quadrants (I, II, III, IV) where an ordered pair (*x*, *y*) or (horizontal, vertical) is used to describe the location of a specific point on the plane
- Equation a mathematical sentence composed of algebraic expressions joined by an equal sign
- **Expression** a mathematical representation consisting of symbols, operators, and/or variables to indicate operations to be performed on a group of numbers according to the order of operations
- Representations concrete models, tables, graphs, verbal descriptions, and algebraic generalizations of data
- Variable a symbol, usually a letter, used to represent an unknown value

Unit 6: Geometry: Angles, Triangles, and Quadrilaterals

• Angle – two rays that share a common endpoint

Unit 7: Measurement: Two-dimensional

- **Circumference** the distance around a circle
- Diameter a line segment whose endpoints are on the circle and passes through the center of the circle
- Pi the ratio of the circumference to the diameter of a circle
- **Radius** a line segment with one endpoint on the circle and the other endpoint at the center of the circle, which is half the length of the diameter
- Standard unit a unit of measure that has been defined by a recognized authority, such as a government or standards organization. For example, *inches, meters, seconds, liters, pounds, and grams* are all standard units

Unit 8: Measurement: Capacity, Weight, Time, Temperature, and Volume

- Elapsed time the amount of time between a start time and an end time
- **Capacity** a measurement of the maximum amount a container will hold
- Volume a measurement of the amount of space occupied by a three-dimensional figure, recorded in cubic units
- Weight measure of the pull of gravity on an object

### Unit 9: Statistical Representations and Analysis

- **Measures of central tendency** statistical representations (mean, median, and mode) used to analyze data in a set
- Mean the average of a set of data determined by balancing the set of data with concrete or pictorial models
- Median the middle number of a set of data that has been arranged in order from greatest to least or least to greatest
- Mode most frequent piece of data in set of data
- Range the difference between the greatest number and least number in a set of data

#### Unit 10: Probability

- **Complement of an event** the probability of the non-occurrence of a desired outcome
- **Composite event** an event that consists of two or more simple events whose sample space can be displayed in an organized list, tree diagram, etc.
- **Probability** a ratio between the number of desired outcomes to the total possible outcomes,  $0 \le p \le 1$
- Sample space the set of all possible outcomes of an experiment
- Simple event an event that consists of a single outcome

#### Unit 11: Making Connections

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### Unit 12: Trip Investigation

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