



Dublin City Schools K-12 Mathematics Education Grade Course of Study Vision

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In Dublin City Schools, we believe in an education where mathematics is not only a fundamental part of every student's education, but a source of inspiration, curiosity, and real-world problem solving skills that can prepare all students for success in an increasingly complex and interconnected world.

We believe in developing mathematicians by providing students high quality experiences designed to:

- View mathematics as a powerful tool for understanding and improving the world around them.
- Refine critical thinking skills in order to analyze problems, assess information, and make informed decisions.
- Think flexibly and creatively with numbers in order to connect conceptual understanding with concrete situations.
- Develop skills such as perseverance, grit, and tenacity in order to embrace challenges and learn from mistakes.
- Cultivate a mathematical mindset that emphasizes the balance of fluency (efficiency, flexibility, accuracy) alongside conceptual understanding.
- Reflect upon their thinking, and the thinking of others, to examine the reasonableness of strategies and solutions while gaining self-efficacy as a lifelong learner.

Instructional Agreements for Mathematical Learning within the Dublin City Schools

- Content standards will be learned in partnership with the Standards for Mathematical Practice in order to empower students to reason abstractly and quantitatively, make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, use appropriate tools strategically, attend to precision, think critically, communicate clearly, and collaborate effectively.
- Teachers will provide opportunities for students to share ideas, communicate their mathematical thinking, and learn from each other's perspectives, fostering a supportive learning community where students can take risks with confidence.
- A variety of instructional techniques and tools will be utilized to support students to create and connect different mathematical representations.
- Teachers will design experiences for students to recognize the real-world relevance of math by exploring and applying mathematical principles to solve authentic problems.
- Teachers will provide students with actionable feedback to support their growth as mathematicians.
- Differentiated instruction will ensure a challenging yet supportive learning environment that supports all students in achieving their full potential.

Together, we will create mathematically empowered learners prepared to navigate the challenges and opportunities ahead with a love of learning, a sense of curiosity, and the skills necessary for success.



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K–12 Course Mathematical Practices:

1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

Mathematically proficient students start by explaining to themselves the meaning of a problem and looking for entry points to its solution. They analyze givens, constraints, relationships, and goals. They make conjectures about the form and meaning of the solution and plan a solution pathway rather than simply jumping into a solution attempt. They consider analogous problems, and try special cases and simpler forms of the original problem in order to gain insight into its solution. They monitor and evaluate their progress and change course if necessary. Older students might, depending on the context of the problem, transform algebraic expressions or change the viewing window on their graphing calculator to get the information they need. Mathematically proficient students can explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables, and graphs or draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data, and search for regularity or trends. Younger students might rely on using concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem. Mathematically proficient students check their answers to problems using a different method, and they continually ask themselves, “Does this make sense?” They can understand the approaches of others to solving complex problems and identify correspondences between different approaches.

2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

Mathematically proficient students make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations. They bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships: the ability to decontextualize—to abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to their referents—and the ability to contextualize, to pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into the referents for the symbols involved. Quantitative reasoning entails habits of creating a coherent representation of the problem at hand; considering the units involved; attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how to compute them; and knowing and flexibly using different properties of operations and objects.

3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

Mathematically proficient students understand and use stated assumptions, definitions, and previously established results in constructing arguments. They make conjectures and build a logical progression of statements to explore the truth of their conjectures. They are able to analyze situations by breaking them into cases, and can recognize and use counterexamples. They justify their conclusions, communicate them to others, and respond to the arguments of others. They reason inductively about



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data, making plausible arguments that take into account the context from which the data arose. Mathematically proficient students are also able to compare the effectiveness of two plausible arguments, distinguish correct logic or reasoning from that which is flawed, and—if there is a flaw in an argument—explain what it is. Elementary students can construct arguments using concrete referents such as objects, drawings, diagrams, and actions. Such arguments can make sense and be correct, even though they are not generalized or made formal until later grades. Later, students learn to determine domains to which an argument applies. Students at all grades can listen or read the arguments of others, decide whether they make sense, and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the arguments.

4. Model with mathematics.

Mathematically proficient students can apply the mathematics they know to solve problems arising in everyday life, society, and the workplace. In early grades, this might be as simple as writing an addition equation to describe a situation. In middle grades, a student might apply proportional reasoning to plan a school event or analyze a problem in the community. By high school, a student might use geometry to solve a design problem or use a function to describe how one quantity of interest depends on another. Mathematically proficient students who can apply what they know are comfortable making assumptions and approximations to simplify a complicated situation, realizing that these may need revision later. They are able to identify important quantities in a practical situation and map their relationships using such tools as diagrams, two-way tables, graphs, flowcharts and formulas. They can analyze those relationships mathematically to draw conclusions. They routinely interpret their mathematical results in the context of the situation and reflect on whether the results make sense, possibly improving the model if it has not served its purpose.

5. Use appropriate tools strategically.

Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package, or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences, and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website, and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.



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6. Attend to precision.

Mathematically proficient students try to communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning. They state the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately. They are careful about specifying units of measure, and labeling axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a problem. They calculate accurately and efficiently, express numerical answers with a degree of precision appropriate for the problem context. In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other. By the time they reach high school they have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of definitions.

7. Look for and make use of structure.

Mathematically proficient students look closely to discern a pattern or structure. Young students, for example, might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more, or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have. Later, students will see 7×8 equals the well remembered $7 \times 5 + 7 \times 3$, in preparation for learning about the distributive property. In the expression $x^2 + 9x + 14$, older students can see the 14 as 2×7 and the 9 as $2 + 7$. They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems. They also can step back for an overview and shift perspective. They can see complicated things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or as being composed of several objects. For example, they can see $5 - 3(x - y)^2$ as 5 minus a positive number times a square and use that to realize that its value cannot be more than 5 for any real numbers x and y .

8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

Mathematically proficient students notice if calculations are repeated, and look both for general methods and for shortcuts. Upper elementary students might notice when dividing 25 by 11 that they are repeating the same calculations over and over again, and conclude they have a repeating decimal. By paying attention to the calculation of slope as they repeatedly check whether points are on the line through $(1, 2)$ with slope 3, middle school students might abstract the equation $(y - 2)/(x - 1) = 3$. Noticing the regularity in the way terms cancel when expanding $(x - 1)(x + 1)$, $(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)$, and $(x - 1)(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$ might lead them to the general formula for the sum of a geometric series. As they work to solve a problem, mathematically proficient students maintain oversight of the process, while attending to the details. They continually evaluate the reasonableness of their intermediate results.



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Grade 3 Math Course Goals:

Third grade mathematicians develop an understanding of multiplication and division within 100. They use equal-sized groups, arrays and area models. As students develop understanding of the structure of rectangular arrays and of area, they begin to connect area to multiplication (and division). They also compare different solution strategies and discover the relationship between multiplication and division. Students work to solve multi-step problems with all four operations (within 100), by applying previous understandings and by reasoning abstractly and quantitatively, while justifying answers through mental computation and estimation strategies.

Third grade learners develop an understanding of fractions based on unit fractions (numerator as 1), visual models and shapes. They compare fractions and build an understanding that the size of the fractional part is relative to the size of the whole. Third grade students are learning to describe and analyze two-dimensional shapes based on the number of sides and presence or absence of a right angle. Students will be able to tell time to the nearest minute. They will work towards solving problems with elapsed time on a number line diagram. Students will continue to work with money, solving problems within \$1,000. Learners will apply their mathematical understanding in real world context, making meaning of math in their worlds.

Course Content Standards:

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OPERATIONS AND ALGEBRAIC THINKING	Represent and solve problems involving multiplication and division.	3.OA.1 Interpret products of whole numbers, e.g., interpret 5×7 as the total number of objects in 5 groups of 7 objects each. (Note: These standards are written with the convention that $a \times b$ means a groups of b objects each; however, because of the commutative property, students may also interpret 5×7 as the total number of objects in 7 groups of 5 objects each).
		3.OA.2 Interpret whole number quotients of whole numbers, e.g., interpret $56 \div 8$ as the number of objects in each share when 56 objects are partitioned equally into 8 shares, or as a number of shares when 56 objects are partitioned into equal shares of 8 objects each. For example,



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		describe a context in which a number of shares or a number of groups can be expressed as $56 \div 8$.
		3.OA.3 Use multiplication and division within 100 to solve word problems in situations involving equal groups, arrays, and measurement quantities, e.g., by using drawings and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem. Drawings need not show details, but should show the mathematics in the problem. (This applies wherever drawings are mentioned in the Standards.)
		3.OA.4 Determine the unknown whole number in a multiplication or division equation relating three whole numbers. For example, determine the unknown number that makes the equation true in each of the equations $8 \times \square = 48$; $5 = \square \div 3$; $6 \times 6 = \square$
	Understand properties of multiplication and the relationship between multiplication and division.	3.OA.5 Apply properties of operations as strategies to multiply and divide. For example, if $6 \times 4 = 24$ is known, then $4 \times 6 = 24$ is also known (Commutative Property of Multiplication); $3 \times 5 \times 2$ can be found by $3 \times 5 = 15$, then $15 \times 2 = 30$, or by $5 \times 2 = 10$, then $3 \times 10 = 30$ (Associative Property of Multiplication); knowing that $8 \times 5 = 40$ and $8 \times 2 = 16$, one can find 8×7 as $8 \times (5 + 2) = (8 \times 5) + (8 \times 2) = 40 + 16 = 56$ (Distributive Property). Students need not use formal terms for these properties.
		3.OA.6 Understand division as an unknown-factor problem. For example, find $32 \div 8$ by finding the number that makes 32 when multiplied by 8.
	Multiply and divide within 100.	3.OA.7 Fluently multiply and divide within 100, using strategies such as the relationship between multiplication and division, e.g., knowing that $8 \times 5 = 40$, one knows $40 \div 5 = 8$ or properties of operations. Limit to division without remainders. By the end of Grade 3, know from memory all products of two one-digit numbers.
	Solve problems involving the four operations, and identify	3.OA.8 Solve two-step word problems using the four operations. Represent these problems using equations with a letter or a symbol, which stands for



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	and explain patterns in arithmetic.	the unknown quantity. Assess the reasonableness of answers using mental computation and estimation strategies including rounding. This standard is limited to problems posed with whole numbers and having whole number answers. Students may use parentheses for clarification since algebraic order of operations is not expected. 3.OA.9 Identify arithmetic patterns (including patterns in the addition table or multiplication table), and explain them using properties of operations. For example, observe that 4 times a number is always even, and explain why 4 times a number can be decomposed into two equal addends.
NUMBERS AND OPERATIONS IN BASE TEN	Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic. A range of strategies and algorithms may be used.	3.NBT.1 Use place value understanding to round whole numbers to the nearest 10 or 100. 3.NBT.2 Fluently add and subtract within 1,000 using strategies and algorithms based on place value, properties of operations, and/or the relationship between addition and subtraction. 3.NBT.3 Multiply one-digit whole numbers by multiples of 10 in the range 10–90, e.g., 9×80, 5×60 using strategies based on place value and properties of operations.
NUMBERS AND OPERATIONS – FRACTIONS	Develop understanding of fractions as numbers. Grade 3 expectations in this domain are limited to fractions with denominators 2, 3, 4, 6, and 8.	3.NF.1 Understand a fraction $1/b$ as the quantity formed by 1 part when a whole is partitioned into b equal parts; understand a fraction a/b as the quantity formed by a parts of size $1/b$. 3.NF.2 Understand a fraction as a number on the number line; represent fractions on a number line diagram. a. Represent a fraction $1/b$ on a number line diagram by defining the interval from 0 to 1 as the whole and partitioning it into b equal parts. Recognize that each part has size $1/b$ and that the endpoint of the part based at 0 locates the number $1/b$ on the number line. b. Represent a fraction a/b (which may be greater than 1) on a number line diagram by marking off a lengths $1/b$ from 0. Recognize



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		that the resulting interval has size a/b and that its endpoint locates the number a/b on the number line. 3.NF.3 Explain equivalence of fractions in special cases, and compare fractions by reasoning about their size. a. Understand two fractions as equivalent (equal) if they are the same size or the same point on a number line. b. Recognize and generate simple equivalent fractions, e.g., $1/2 = 2/4$, $4/6 = 2/3$. Explain why the fractions are equivalent, e.g., by using a visual fraction model. c. Express whole numbers as fractions, and recognize fractions that are equivalent to whole numbers. Examples: Express 3 in the form $3 = 3/1$; recognize that $6/1 = 6$; locate $4/4$ and 1 at the same point of a number line diagram. d. Compare two fractions with the same numerator or the same denominator by reasoning about their size. Recognize that comparisons are valid only when the two fractions refer to the same whole. Record the results of comparisons with the symbols $>$, $=$, or $<$, and justify the conclusions, e.g., by using a visual fraction model.
MEASUREMENT AND DATA	Solve problems involving money, measurement, and estimation of intervals of time, liquid volumes, and masses of objects.	3.MD.1 Work with time and money. a. Tell and write time to the nearest minute. Measure time intervals in minutes (within 90 minutes). Solve real-world problems involving addition and subtraction of time intervals (elapsed time) in minutes, e.g., by representing the problem on a number line diagram or clock. b. Solve word problems by adding and subtracting within 1,000, dollars with dollars and cents with cents (not using dollars and cents



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		simultaneously) using the \$ and ¢ symbol appropriately (not including decimal notation).
		3.MD.2 Measure and estimate liquid volumes and masses of objects using standard units of grams, kilograms, and liters. Add, subtract, multiply, or divide whole numbers to solve one-step word problems involving masses or volumes that are given in the same units, e.g., by using drawings (such as a beaker with a measurement scale) to represent the problem. Excludes multiplicative comparison problems involving notions of "times as much".
	Represent and interpret data.	3.MD.3 Create scaled picture graphs to represent a data set with several categories. Create scaled bar graphs to represent a data set with several categories. Solve two-step "how many more" and "how many less" problems using information presented in the scaled graphs. For example, create a bar graph in which each square in the bar graph might represent 5 pets, then determine how many more/less in two given categories.
		3.MD.4 Generate measurement data by measuring lengths using rulers marked with halves and fourths of an inch. Show the data by creating a line plot, where the horizontal scale is marked off in appropriate units—whole numbers, halves, or quarters.
	Geometric measurement: understand concepts of area and relate area to multiplication and to addition.	3.MD.5 Recognize area as an attribute of plane figures and understand concepts of area measurement. a. A square with side length 1 unit, called "a unit square," is said to have "one square unit" of area, and can be used to measure area. b. A plane figure which can be covered without gaps or overlaps by n unit squares is said to have an area of n square units.
		3.MD.6 Measure areas by counting unit squares (square cm, square m, square in, square ft, and improvised units).
		3.MD.7 Relate area to the operations of multiplication and addition.



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GEOMETRY		a. Find the area of a rectangle with whole number side lengths by tiling it, and show that the area is the same as would be found by multiplying the side lengths. b. Multiply side lengths to find areas of rectangles with whole number side lengths in the context of solving real-world and mathematical problems, and represent whole number products as rectangular areas in mathematical reasoning. c. Use tiling to show in a concrete case that the area of a rectangle with whole number side lengths a and $b + c$ is the sum of $a \times b$ and $a \times c$ (represent the distributive property with visual models including an area model). d. Recognize area as additive. Find the area of figures composed of rectangles by decomposing into non-overlapping rectangles and adding the areas of the non-overlapping parts, applying this technique to solve real-world problems.
	Geometric measurement: recognize perimeter as an attribute of plane figures and distinguish between linear and area measures.	3.MD.8 Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving perimeters of polygons, including finding the perimeter given the side lengths, finding an unknown side length, and exhibiting rectangles with the same perimeter and different areas or with the same area and different perimeters.
	Reason with shapes and their attributes.	3.G.1 Draw and describe triangles, quadrilaterals (rhombuses, rectangles, and squares), and polygons (up to 8 sides) based on the number of sides and the presence or absence of square corners (right angles). 3.G.2 Partition shapes into parts with equal areas. Express the area of each part as a unit fraction of the whole. For example, partition a shape into 4 parts with equal area, and describe the area of each part as $\frac{1}{4}$ of the area of the shape.