



Oak Grove School

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Our mission:
***A community working
hard toward excellence
and academic success***

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Dear Parents of Oak Grove 8th grade students,

In 2023, VUSD shared the exciting news that 8th grade students enrolled in Math 1 in Grade 8 would be able to receive 10 credits toward the 30 credits that each high school student needs to meet VUSD high school math graduation requirements. Many of our Oak Grove 8th grade students have taken advantage of this over the past two years, and we are continuing this school year with our current 8th grade students!

To help you understand this new program, you are invited to our 8th Grade Math Parent Information Night next Tuesday, August 26, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the Oak Grove Cafeteria.

At the end of the first unit of study in Math 1, we will ask each 8th grade student and family to decide if they want to remain in Math 1, or instead be enrolled in Math 8. This deadline is Friday, September 26.

8th grade students who are enrolled in our Math 1 class will receive a letter grade (A - F) twice during the school year – once for the fall semester that ends in December 2025, and once for the spring semester that ends in June 2026. They will earn 10 high school math credits for a grade of D or better.

8th grade students who are enrolled in our Math 8 class will receive a letter grade (A – F) on their Oak Grove report card. No high school credits will be earned.

If you are concerned about your student's math performance, they can instead be enrolled in Math 8. In this way, no grade will be recorded on your student's future high school transcript. Your student's daily experience in math will not change in these circumstances – only the name of the course.

We will follow up with a signature letter when we get closer to the September 26 deadline.

And we encourage you to attend our 8th Grade Math Parent Information Night next Tuesday, August 26, 2025, at 5:30 pm in the Oak Grove Cafeteria.

Please contact us or our school office with any questions. Thank you!

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