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Southington Public Schools Summer Math: Entering Grade 6

Dear Upcoming Grade 6 Families,

In an effort to provide students with opportunities to practice the math skills and concepts taught this school year, we encourage students to work on a Khan Academy "Get ready for grade 6" math course over the summer. This online program is designed to help ensure that students have the underlying skills needed to succeed in grade 6 math. By completing these prerequisite lessons, it will help to keep their math skills strong and to prevent any summer learning loss. Additionally, the grade 6 middle school math teachers will receive this data on the students entering their math course and can use this information to drive their instruction.

Upon returning to school in the fall, your child will join their new math teacher's Khan class and will be able to see your child's completion rate and progress.

We have set the following summer math goals for incoming grade 6 students:

Goal: Complete a minimum 65% mastery on your designated "Getting Ready for Grade 6" Khan Academy course.

Although the minimum goal of mastery is 65%, we highly encourage students to try to complete as many of the "Getting Ready for Grade 6 " Khan math lessons as they can.

Students who meet the summer goal of 65% mastery or greater will earn a completion grade in PowerSchool.

Directions for logging into *Khan Academy* are included in this packet and can also be found on the district website. Your child should have already logged into Khan with their current teacher. If your child is unable to access the internet over the summer or you would prefer to have your child not on the computer, each elementary school has a set of paper math packets students may work on instead.

We hope this summer math option will give students opportunities for practice and review so they feel ready and confident as they enter school next year. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding these recommendations, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to seeing you in the fall. Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

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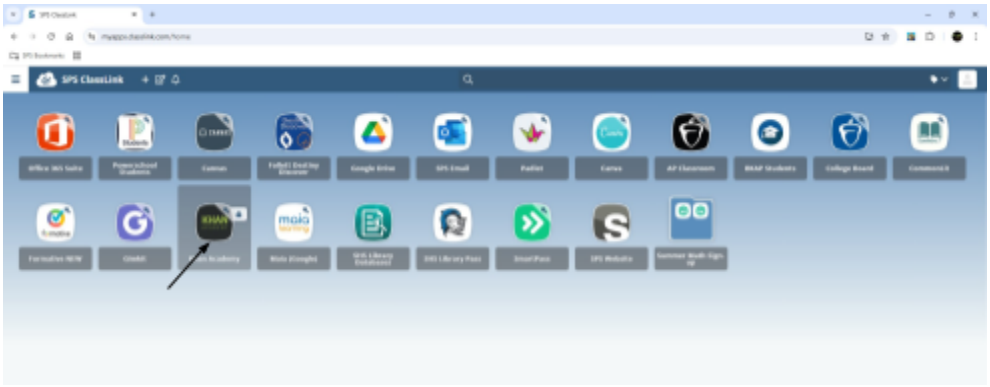
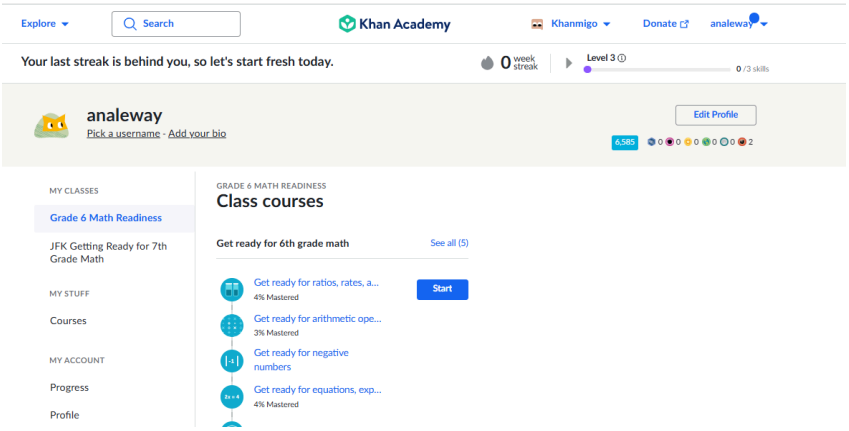
Directions for students to access Khan Academy:

1. Students should use their school Chromebook and navigate to ClassLink.

2. From there, on the classlink dashboard they will be able to access Khan Academy by clicking on the "Khan" icon.



3. Once you are logged in, you will see your class (es) and courses listed on the left-hand side of your dashboard.



Khan Academy will use your school's Google account to log you in. It is important that you do not create a separate account. Khan Academy allows for easy integration with our already existing Google services. Students should have joined their appropriate “Getting Ready for Khan course” during the final weeks of school.

As a student works through a unit, they will watch videos, answer mastery questions/receive feedback, and receive hints if they get stuck. If a student really gets stuck on a topic and has watched the videos and tried their best, it is okay to move on to another concept or topic.