Dear upcoming 7th and 8th grade Algebra students,

Duval County offers a lot of math review resources which allow you to brush up on your skills. The JWJ Math Department has streamlined the process for you and created an **OPTIONAL** review plan for the summer prior to starting Algebra as a 7th or 8th grader.

To make sure you have a good foundation for this upcoming year we HIGHLY recommend you start with the Khan Academy program. This program is very user friendly, it diagnoses and helps you fill in any math gaps that you may have, and it also allows for enrichment to challenge yourself. Follow the instructions below to start the Khan Academy program.

1. Go to [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org) and create a username if you do not already have one.
2. After you have made a username go to [www.khanacademy.org/coaches](http://www.khanacademy.org/coaches)
3. In the “Add a Coach” field, enter the class code 5XRR5M.
4. Click home to be taken back to your main student dashboard, where you can then discover what lies ahead for you in the program.

Your coach on Khan Academy over the summer will be Mr. Peterson. He has already loaded the most important concepts and skills that you should master before you return to JWJ for your first day of Algebra. If you have any questions or are looking for enrichment activities please e-mail him at petersonm2@duvalschools.org

The math teachers at JWJ know it can be VERY TEMPTING to not write down your notes or show your work when you are doing online questions, but this is the WORST habit you can ever acquire. Please **WRITE DOWN** the sample problems and notes from the videos and follow up questions in a spiral notebook. We promise this practice of writing down your work and notes will pay off in the end. **We would then encourage you to keep this notebook so you may use it in class at the start of the school year.**

If you earned an average of C or below this past year in Math II Advanced, we recommend you begin working on Kahn Academy an average of 30 minutes a day starting towards the beginning of July. If you earned an average of a B or higher we recommend you start towards mid-July and spend on average 45 minutes every other day with the program. The more effort you put in the summer, the more prepared you will be for Algebra and the more successful you will be in the course.

If you have any problems or questions about the program or what you or your child should be doing over the summer to prepare for Algebra I Honors please contact Mr. Peterson at petersonm2@duvalschools.org