



ELGIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear EMS Parents/Guardians:

In order to more effectively serve each student's individual academic needs, Elgin ISD will continue utilizing an effective online program called *Think Through Math* (TTM). TTM is a highly engaging program designed to adapt to the pace and mathematics level of the individual student.

Beginning October 2nd, the start of the second six-weeks grading period of the 2016-2017 school year, students will be required to pass 12 different TTM lessons per six-weeks grading period. The successful completion of these 12 TTM lessons will be recorded as a MAJOR grade each six weeks. Major grades account for 40% of a student's six-weeks average on their report card.

Students have been given their log-in information and instructions to TTM via their math teacher. Students will also receive a copy of the grading rubric that their teacher will use to determine the student's grade for their TTM lessons. The rubric is as follows:

Number of Lessons Successfully Completed	Grade	Number of Lessons Successfully Completed	Grade	Number of Lessons Successfully Completed	Grade
12	100	7	75	3	40
11	95	6	70	2	30
10	90	5	60	1	20
9	85	4	50	0	0
8	80				

Students will receive 5 extra credit points per extra TTM lesson completed over the 12 required lesson, for a maximum of 15 extra credit points.

Any device with internet access and a 7-inch screen or better can be used to access TTM any time, any place. We understand not every household has internet access, so below you will find a reminder of opportunities that EMS offers for students to use school computers and/or Wi-Fi:

Days	Time	Location	Transportation Provided?
Mondays	4:05pm-7:00pm	EMS Library	No
Tuesdays/Thursdays	4:05pm-4:45pm	Tutorial Classrooms	Yes
Saturdays (during Saturday School)	9:00am-11:00am	EMS Library	No

We are very excited to begin implementing this research-based, data-driven program with our students and we truly appreciate your support with this program. We know that the students of EMS are capable of high levels of academic achievement and we are confident that *Think Through Math* will assist our students in reaching those levels.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your student's math teacher.

Sincerely,

The EMS Math Department