

How to Have a Well Organized Math Notebook

A Math Notebook is a way of keeping your math work organized so that you can find things quickly and easily. When your work is organized your thinking will become organized too (very important in math). You will be able to use the information in your Math Notebook for most math tests. Use the space wisely and **only for your math work**. *Please do not tear pages out of your notebook - ouch!*

1. Neatly written with words and numbers FIRMLY on the page lines. Note: When working with your notebook spiral-side up (a good way to work with large numbers) keep one digit in each column.
2. Mistakes are crossed out (not erased).
3. Up to date (very important).
4. Every problem is boxed and numbered. The date is boxed at the top of every new assignment.
5. Start new work right below the previous assignment. Use both sides of the paper.

Scores	4 = Right on target - complete and neat
	3 = Looking good, almost there
	2 = On the way = m-w-m (meet with me)
	1 = Temporarily off track = m-w-m-n (now)
	0 = No notebook at school = no recess

I will randomly select a few Math Notebooks every Friday for grading. Periodically, I will call for a notebook check during the week. Your parents will have an opportunity to look at your notebook and give it a grade each marking period. You must have your notebook at school every day. Math Notebooks will be part of your overall math grade.