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Dear Parents/Guardians,

With the end of the school year quickly upon us, we know that your child is eagerly awaiting a restful break from school. However, the break from school activities often causes students to experience a lag in learning upon returning to school in the fall. Research shows students easily lose a couple months' worth of math skills during the long summer break.

In an effort to lessen this effect, I would like to recommend an **OPTIONAL, FREE Summer MATH Camp** incentive. I am inviting students to join my "Summer Math" class via Khan Academy. Students that engage with Khan Academy over the summer will be entered into a raffle to win a prize upon their return to school.

Khan Academy is a free online resource. Students can explore new topics and strengthen their skills by doing practice problems and tutorials. As students learn, their activity feeds into reports that show important information such as strengths and weaknesses in a particular concept. Khan Academy is also available on the App Store for IOS devices.

#### **Expectations:**

- In order to be entered into the raffle, students are expected to work on Khan Academy Summer Math for a minimum of 30 minutes a week or a total of 300 minutes for the summer.
- Students have been assigned their current grade level material to work on as well as the grade level they will be entering into in the Fall.
  - It is suggested that students begin to work within their grade level content first before looking ahead to the next grade level.

#### **Raffle Prizes:**

- Students who complete at least 300 minutes of math over the summer will be entered into a raffle to win a gift card. There will be at least one raffle prize given for each grade level!

#### **See the backside of this letter for directions on how to join the Summer Math Incentive.**

Please email me at [mfernando@tauntonschools.org](mailto:mfernando@tauntonschools.org) with any questions you may have. I look forward to watching your child's progress over the summer.

Sincerely,

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