

Welcome to ERA’s School of Grammar Math Club!

I will be the Head Coach as well as working with the **5th grade team in room 1414**, Ms. Feist’s 4th grade classroom. Kou Vang (Special Education Paraprofessional) and Sonia Pandey (Substitute E.A. and PTO Board member) will coach the **4th grade team in room 1413**, Mrs. Walker’s 4th grade classroom. Amy Rau (Third Grade Teacher) and Sailaja Kakumanu (ERA Parent) will coach the **3rd grade team in room 1415,** Mrs. Rau’s 3rd grade classroom.

**Plan to sign your child out of the room above 4:15-4:25. Any student not picked up and signed out by 4:25 will be enrolled in TEL (the after school care program) at a cost of $15. If your child will be absent for Math Club, please e-mail me as soon as possible.**  
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Sincerely,

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**Perennial Math Director**

This year your child will participate in the Perennial Math Competition for grades 3-5. The Program is designed to improve problem solving abilities by developing students’ reading, reasoning and logical skills.

There will be four total Perennial Math tests; the first test will be in January and the last test will be in April. All students will receive certificates for participating and special awards will be presented to individual students who score well compared to students around the world.

The goals of the program are to develop:

* Excitement for problem solving
* Persistence and hard work
* Teamwork and collaboration
* Communication skills to demonstrate thinking
* Recognition of different approaches to problem solving
* Encouragement by learning from mistakes

The Perennial Math tests have 6 questions each month. The tests are challenging and above grade level. Scoring a 3 on a test is above average. If a student scores a 5 or 6 on a test, they will see their name on the Perennial Math website.

Solving difficult problems will take lots of practice. Please encourage your child and you will see growth by the last test. Being able to solve these difficult problems should be a rewarding experience, but students will require reassurance that they are going to improve with time, practice, and persistence. Thank you for your assistance. We look forward to a great year of problem solving.