

# Learning with Saxon

Dear Parents and Student(s),

As you have probably heard by now, East Buchanan has adopted a new series of math text books. Saxon texts have many great qualities that we believe will help our students learn math, help them be better prepared for state assessments, and ultimately help them be better prepared for college and career. There are ways that Saxon is different from any other series; therefore, a student's learning attack needs to be different in many cases. Here are the learning techniques that we have been teaching your student(s) in class:

1. Every lesson is a study guide. You **must do all of your practice homework** every day that it is assigned.
2. Every lesson is a study guide. The test will be made of problems like the ones encountered in the practice sets. If you can't do a problem in practice, you will not be able to do it on the test. You must fix all incorrect thinking immediately. If you cannot do this by yourself, ask us (your teachers)!!
3. Every lesson is a study guide. You must grade each lesson correctly; take your time to know and mark which answers are wrong. If you do not know which are wrong, you cannot fix your incorrect thinking.
4. Every lesson is a study guide. If you miss even **one problem**, you must analyze why you made that mistake, and make a plan on how to **not** make that mistake the next time you encounter that question. If you cannot do this by yourself, ask us (your teachers)!!
5. Every lesson is a study guide. If you miss a problem, the little number in parentheses tells you which lesson you can look up to relearn that idea.
6. After every five lessons, there will be another assessment. You must fix all incorrect thinking immediately. If you cannot do this by yourself, ask us (your teachers)!!
7. Vocabulary is important. You **must** know what the terms mean. You need to know the terms and properties by the end of the lesson in which you learned them.
8. Reading directions carefully is important. The questions are very specific. You must know specifically what the question is asking. You must answer all parts of the question.
9. You must show your work, as always.

We, like you, want your child(ren) to be a great success! Please feel free to call or e-mail anytime.

Sincerely,

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