## Math Way to Excellence Implementation Outline 01/02/16

- 1) Select student(s) in grades K-5<sup>th</sup> grade from school district(s) who are having difficulties with math problems.
  - a) We will ask the school for information on the students' demographics for establishing comparison to Missouri educational standards. These will include the following:
    - Race, age, grade level, etc.
  - b) We will ask the school for information on the students' math grades to establish a baseline. Some of the data needed will include the following:
    - Current level of math skills the student is expected to know such as counting, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, etc.
    - See and complete the comprehensive check off list of the above skills.
    - What areas in math is the student struggling with and could use additional help?
    - Addition comments such as short attention span, homework isn't completed on time, class participation level, confidence level of math skills, etc.
- 2) We will evaluate the student(s) and determine their skill level by questionnaires and pretest.
  - a) Student will complete a questionnaire assessing their math skills.
    - How does the student feel about math?
    - Are they willing to work harder to improve their math skills?
  - b) Specific math pretest will be initially given according to the areas the student is struggling with.
    - Other pretest will be given to evaluate math skills the student already understands as new techniques are introduced to sharpen skills. An example might be a faster way to add.
- 3) Math Way to Excellence or the school administrators will ask to meet with the parent in person (or phone, e-mail, etc) to briefly explain the Math Way to Excellence program.
  - a) We will ask the parent to monitor the students' assigned math missions
  - b) Ask the parent (other family members, friends) if possible to play the math card game with the student regularly.
  - c) Evaluations should be done at home to track student's progress

Student understands the basic details	
Student's rating of mission	
Instructor's/ evaluator's rating of student's progress	
Amount of minutes student spent working on mission	
Amount of minutes student spend playing Cipher Quick Math Game	
Comments:	
Rating Scale: 5 excellent –4 above average—3 average—2 below average—1 poor	

4) Arrange to work with the student(s) in the after school program for 2 or 3 hours per week.

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- 5) We will introduce the student(s) to the Math Way to Excellence program and provide the following items:
  - a) Cipher Pad includes:
    - Clear plastic jacket (8.5 x 11) for math boards
    - Addition-subtraction board (8.5 x 11) on water and tear resistant plastic paper
    - Multiplication-division board (8.5 x 11) on water and tear resistant plastic paper
    - Big Step 0-20 addition-subtraction board (8.5 x 11) on water and tear resistant plastic paper
    - Plastic screen to hide/reveal numbers for a/s and m/d boards
    - Plastic screen to hide /reveal numbers for Big Step 0-20 board
    - Clear plastic sheet (8.5 x 11) for markers usage
    - Expo dry-erase fluorescent markers (5 pack)
  - b) Cipher Quick Math Kit includes:
    - Addition –subtraction board (5 x 7) side 1 and multiplication-division board side 2
    - Dry-erase black marker
    - Red dice #2 each (numbered 1-12)
    - Blue dice (numbered 0-9)
    - Blue dice (numbered 00-90)
    - Cipher Quick Math Cards
  - c) Cipher Quest Storybook
  - d) Cipher Quest Coloring book

Note: Math Way to Excellence will provide folders the student assignments.

- 6) Pretest will be given before certain missions as indicated according to student assessments.
- 7) Depending on the student's math skill level, the appropriate workbook will be used. **Note**: See workbook outlines.
- 8) A lesson plan will be made out for each student.
- 9) Before the student starts on that particular workbook (ex. Module 9 for 3 grade progressive), we must make sure they understand how to solve different basic problems leading up that particular module.
  - We don't need to issue a certificate if the student didn't complete that whole mission segment. Just make a note in the comment section of the evaluation that these skills were explained and understood.

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- 10) The workbooks, card game, and/or homework problems will be the focus during the sessions. We may want to mix up the card game with the math mission (maybe around every 20 minutes)
  - We can give the student a copy of their mission to work on during the session or at home.
  - Have them use the game dice to make up mission problems.
  - Offer help whenever the student request or needs it.
  - Complete evaluations after each session.
- 11) At the beginning of each new session, collect any completed evaluation by the parent or guardian.
  - Ask the student how the assigned mission exercise progressed.
  - Have the student demonstrate the assigned mission and determine if they mastered the skill.
  - Once the student has mastered the mission segment, give the assigned post-test.
  - Present the student with a "Certificate of Completion" for that mission.
- 12) All of the data from the pretest, post-test, evaluations, homework math problems, and comments will be compiled. We should see that progress has been made.
- 13) Continue with next mission (ex. Module Nine) segment and collect the pretest, evaluations, homework, post-test, certificate of completion, and data compilation.
- 14) We will share our results with the student, parent, and school district.