**Ms. Lacey Schmidt**

**Academic Improvement**

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**Reading Course Description: The purpose of this class is to help increase reading comprehension skills with fiction and non-fiction text. Students will be using Reading Express, Be a Better Reader, and Lexia.**

**Math Course Description: The purpose of this class is to help increase various math skills. Students will be using Momentum Math with supplementary materials as needed.**

**Required Materials**: workbooks (these remain in the classroom), pens, silent reading book, folder, assignment notebook

**Attendance**: When a student is absent, it is his/her responsibility to inquire about the make-up work.   
  
**Homework**: Work is completed in class. Homework is not assigned. Lunch intramural study hall is available if students need help with any assignment.

**Grading System:** Parents have access to their child’s grades on-line. Academic Improvement is a Pass/Fail class.

Pass = 100%-70%

Fail = 69% and below

**Per Summit Hill School District 161 Policy:**

**Formative Assessment** is the formal and informal processes teachers and students use to gather evidence for the purpose of improving learning. Assessment for learning is how we provide students valuable feedback on their progress toward achieving the specific learning target. 25% of calculated grade.

**Summative Assessment** provides evidence of student achievement for the purpose of making a judgment about student competence or program effectiveness. Assessment of learning is how we know our students have achieved specific learning expectations. 75% of calculated grade.

**Summative Reassessment** will be available. The most recent score will be recorded. Students must complete the summative reassessment form as well as all items listed on the form. An example is attached to the syllabus.

**Class Rules**: All class rules as listed in the Student Handbook must be followed. I stress the following:   
 1. Be Responsible. Be on time for class and prepared with needed materials.   
 2. Be Respectful. Listen to the teacher and your classmates.   
 3. Be Responsible. Participate in class and make complete efforts on all assignments.

**Behavior:** Students will receive verbal reminders, parent/guardian phone calls, and referrals/detentions as needed.  
  
**Conferences:** Parent conference days are scheduled by the district; however, if you would like to meet with me at any other time, I would be happy to make arrangements with you. Please call the school office at (815)469-4330. My email address is [lschmidt@summithill.org](mailto:lschmidt@summithill.org). The Summit Hill web site with links to all district schools and teacher lesson plans is [www.summithill.org](http://www.summithill.org).

Parent Signature

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