

Dear Parents,

This year students in the Lake Washington School District will enhance their classroom math instruction with an online digital tool called Dreambox Learning. Dreambox Learning is a program that:



- Personalizes instruction from intervention through enrichment
- Provides access and equity for students
- Focuses on mathematical thinking and reasoning
- Develops skills and closes gaps fast
- Integrates assessment with instruction
- Aligns to state and national standards (CCSS)

Dreambox Learning also utilizes an intelligent, adaptive learning engine. This type of learning:

- Adapts to each learner
- Builds on each learner's prior personal knowledge and goals
- Empowers learners to make self-directed choices
- Continually assesses to form an increasingly rich mental model of the learner
- Utilizes assessment data to individualize instruction appropriately

As a parent, you can support your child's work in Dreambox Learning at home in the following ways:

1. Provide time for your child to use Dreambox Learning at home (through a computer or iPad)
2. Set up a parent access account so that you can monitor your child's progress (and provide encouragement to reinforce its use)
3. Encourage your child to finish a lesson completely (this helps the program adapt to your child's needs)
4. Let your child work independently (the program works best when students do the thinking on their own)
5. Have students use the "Help/Hint" button when they have a question (no paper, pencil, or prompting are needed)

If you would like to experience Dreambox Learning for yourself, go to www.dreambox.com, click on "Parent" and then click on "Try Sample Lessons" (found in the middle of the page). You can experience activities at many grade levels and see how Dreambox Learning will adapt to your learning needs.

Thank you for supporting student learning in the Lake Washington School District.

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