Unit 1 - The Number System, Expressions, and Equations

Content Area: **Math**
Course(s):
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Unit Overview

Students will be introduced to the Real Number Systems and be able to classify numbers as rational or irrational. They will form approximations of these numbers to locate real numbers on the number line. Students will know when a sum or product will be rational or irrational. Students will solve one-variable equations including those with variables on both sides to find one solution, no solution, or infinitely many solutions. Students will use square and cube root symbols to evaluate expressions and simplify numerical radicals. Students will know and apply the properties of integer exponents to generate equivalent numerical expressions. Students will use scientific notation to express numbers and perform calculations with numbers written in scientific notation.

Enduring Understandings

Every number has a decimal expansion.
The value of any real number can be represented in relation to other real numbers such as with decimals converted to fractions, scientific notation and numbers written with exponents.
Properties of operations with whole and rational numbers also apply to all real numbers.

Essential Questions

Why are quantities represented in multiple ways?
What is the difference between rational and irrational numbers?
How can linear equations have one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solution.
How can you model and represent real world situations involving linear equations.

Learning Objectives

Compare rational and irrational numbers to demonstrate that the decimal expansion of irrational numbers do not repeat; show that every rational number has a decimal expansion which eventually repeats and convert such decimals into rational numbers.
Use rational numbers to approximate and locate irrational numbers on a number line and estimate the value of expressions involving irrational numbers.
Evaluate square roots and cubic roots of small perfect squares and cubes respectively and use square and cube root symbols to represent solutions to equations of the form x2 = p and x3 = p where p is a positive rational

number. Identify √2 as irrational.
Simplify numerical radicals, limiting to square roots (i.e. nonperfect squares), (simplify √8 to 2√2)

Apply the properties of integer exponents to simplify and write equivalent numerical expressions.
Use scientific notation to estimate and express the values of very large or very small numbers and compare their values (how many times larger/smaller is one than the other).
Perform operations using numbers expressed in scientific notation, including problems where both decimals and scientific notation are used (interpret scientific notation generated when technology has been used for calculations).
Solve linear equations in one variable with rational number coefficients that might require expanding expressions using the distributive property and/or combining like terms, including examples with one solution, infinite solutions, or no solution.
Apply the properties of operations as strategies to add, subtract, factor, and expand linear expressions with rational coefficients (including additive and multiplicative inverse, distributive, commutative, and associative properties).
Use equivalent expressions to demonstrate the relationship between quantities and determine simpler solutions to a problem.
Solve multi-step real life and mathematical problems with rational numbers in any form (fractions, decimals, percents) by applying properties of operations and converting rational numbers between forms as needed, and then assess the reasonableness of results using mental computation and estimation strategies.

How to distinguish between rational and irrational numbers.
Fractions and decimals can be converted to fit the need in a problem.
Square roots have estimates to help compare them on a number line.
Properties of real numbers are helpful to determine the solutions of a linear equation.
Distributive property is useful to solve equations
Combining like terms is useful to solving equations
Steps to solve linear equations with rational coefficients and variables on both sides.
Linear equations might have one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solutions.
Numbers can be expressed in scientific notation.
Operations with numbers in scientific notation can be performed.
How to simplify algebraic expressions.
Add and subtract linear expressions.
Factoring and expanding linear expressions can be useful for simplification.
Expressions might need to be rewritten in a simpler way.

Standards: Content

MATH.8.NS.A	Know that there are numbers that are not rational and approximate them by rational numbers
MATH.8.NS.A.1	Know that numbers that are not rational are called irrational. Understand informally that every number has a decimal expansion; for rational numbers show that the decimal expansion repeats eventually and convert a decimal expansion which repeats eventually into a rational number.
MATH.8.NS.A.2	Use rational approximations of irrational numbers to compare the size of irrational numbers, locate them approximately on a number line diagram, and estimate the value of expressions (e.g., π^2).

MATH.8.NS.A.3	Understand that the sum or product of two rational numbers is rational; that the sum of a rational number and an irrational number is irrational; and that the product of a nonzero rational number and an irrational number is irrational.
MATH.8.EE.A.1	Know and apply the properties of integer exponents to generate equivalent numerical expressions.
MATH.8.EE.A.2	Use square root and cube root symbols to represent solutions to equations of the form $x^2 = p$ and $x^3 = p$, where p is a positive rational number.
MATH.8.EE.A.2.a	Evaluate square roots of small perfect squares and cube roots of small perfect cubes. Know that √2 is irrational.
MATH.8.EE.A.2.b	Simplify numerical radicals, limiting to square roots (i.e., nonperfect squares).
MATH.8.EE.A.3	Use numbers expressed in the form of a single digit times an integer power of 10 to estimate very large or very small quantities, and to express how many times as much one is than the other.
MATH.8.EE.A.4	Perform operations with numbers expressed in scientific notation, including problems where both decimal and scientific notation are used. Use scientific notation and choose units of appropriate size for measurements of very large or very small quantities (e.g., use millimeters per year for seafloor spreading). Interpret scientific notation that has been generated by technology.
MATH.8.EE.C.7.a	Give examples of linear equations in one variable with one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solutions. Show which of these possibilities is the case by successively transforming the given equation into simpler forms, until an equivalent equation of the form $x = a$, $a = a$, or $a = b$ results (where a and b are different numbers).

Standards: Interdisciplinary

PFL.9.1.8.CDM.4	Evaluate the application process for different types of loans (e.g., credit card, mortgage, student loans).
PFL.9.1.8.CP.1	Compare prices for the same goods or services.
CS.6-8.8.1.8.AP.1	Design and illustrate algorithms that solve complex problems using flowcharts and/or pseudocode.
CS.6-8.8.1.8.AP.2	Create clearly named variables that represent different data types and perform operations on their values.
CS.6-8.8.1.8.DA.1	Organize and transform data collected using computational tools to make it usable for a specific purpose.
CS.6-8.8.1.8.DA.4	Transform data to remove errors and improve the accuracy of the data for analysis.
CS.6-8.8.1.8.DA.5	Test, analyze, and refine computational models.

Assessment Evidence

Formative	Collaborative Activities, Homework, Classwork, Discussion, Independent Class Assignment, Informal Observations of Students, Games, Exit Slips, Pre-Assessments, Math Message – Warm up, Questioning, Teacher Made Pages, Learning Centers, LinkIt, Problem of the Day, Problem of the Week, Entrance Slips, Pre-Assessments
Summative	LinkIt Benchmark Assessments, Tests, Pre-Assessments, Quizzes, Written Responses
Alternative & Benchmark	Alternative – Reteaching, One on One Conferencing, Learning Centers, Levels Homework, Higher Order Thinking Problems, Additional leveled practice

	Benchmark - LinkIt Benchmark Assessments, Totowa TPA
Assessment Evidence Resource	

Instructional Resources

Smartboard, Computers, iPads, websites and digital interactives/models, multi-media presentations, video streaming, Brain Pop, Microsoft 365, Primary and Secondary Source Documents, Assorted Manipulatives, Khan Academy, Crosswalk Coach for the Common Core Standards, Ready Common Core Mathematics Instruction and Practice, Common Core Coach, Calculators, Reveal Math Resources.

Instructional Resource List

Curricular Mandates

Below are the curricular requirements as defined in NJ Administrative Code and Statute

	Amistad		Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
	Holocaust		LGBT and Disabilities (Grades 6-12)
	Climate Change		Asian American & Pacific Islander

Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Competencies

NJ Social and Emotional Learning Competencies & Sub-Competencies

	Self-Awareness	X	Relationship Skills
X	Responsible Decision-Making		Social Awareness
X	Self-Management		

21st Century Skills & Themes

	Global and Cultural Awareness	X	Technology Literacy		Planning and Budgeting
X	Creativity and Innovation		Financial Institutions		Risk Management and Insurance
X	Information and Media Literacy		Digital Citizenship		Economic and Government Influences
	Critical Thinking and Problem Solving		Credit Profile		Career Awareness and Planning
	Civic Financial Responsibility		Financial Psychology		