



Saint Joseph Catholic School

7th Annual Study Island Summer Math Challenge

For students entering Grades 3-8

Dear Parents,

Summer is the best time of year for your child to brush up on his or her math skills! Sometimes it is hard to know what to do for math activities. Let us help! Saint Joseph Catholic School has partnered with Study Island to provide a web-based program that is specifically designed to help your child master the math standards specific to his or her grade level.

This is not required homework. You may decide that your child needs a break from math this summer. Your child will NOT be behind if they choose not to participate. However, we think this is a great opportunity for students.

Username and password:

Your child already has an account. He or she was given a username and password during the school year. Please email sjstudyisland@gmail.com if your child does not know his or her password. We will email you that information immediately.

Challenge:

We have made an assignment for each student called "Summer Math Challenge". Your child will be asked to complete at least 10 questions in each of the math topics for the grade level he or she just completed. This will ensure that he or she has developed all of the math skills needed to be successful when they start school in fall. Students can earn a "Blue Ribbon" for getting 70% or more correct on 10 or more questions in each section. The child is trying to get a Blue Ribbon in each area.

Super Challenge (complete the basic challenge first):

If your child is really motivated and skilled at math, they may want to try to complete the standards for the grade level that they are entering in the fall. Your child will likely need to use the “Lesson” feature or receive your assistance to be successful. If your child has completed the basic challenge and wants to try the Super Challenge, please email sjsstudyisland@gmail.com.

Awards:

Students who complete the basic challenge will be invited to a pizza party in September. Special prizes will be awarded to students who complete the Super Challenge.

FAQs:

The password doesn't seem to work. Can you help?

YES! Email us at sjsstudyisland@gmail.com and we will retrieve your child's username and password for you.

My child missed several questions early on, and now he can't get back up to 70% to earn a blue ribbon. Can you reset that section to zero?

Sure, email us at sjsstudyisland@gmail.com

My child is new to the school. Can you set up an account for us?

Sure, email us at sjsstudyisland@gmail.com

My child has difficulty in math. Could they do a lower grade level?

Sure, just email us at sjsstudyisland@gmail.com and we will work together to assign an appropriate challenge.

Assistance:

You may email sjsstudyisland@gmail.com if you have any questions.

The last day to complete subtests is September 2, 2019. Good luck and enjoy your summer math!

Further parent information provided by Study Island:

Parent Overview

What is Study Island?

- Study Island is an all online product designed to help your child master the standards specific to his or her grade level in your state.

Fast Facts:

- Every student has his/her own username and password.
- The program is divided into sections based on subject.
- Each subject is made up of topics, each of which corresponds to a specific state standard.
- Each topic contains lessons, practice questions and explanations.
- Most topics are accompanied by a lesson which includes some brief information about the material covered by the questions in the topic.
- Your child can also incorporate games into their studies while on Study Island, if the school allows.

How do I log in to Study Island?

- Go to www.studyisland.com and enter your username and password (not case sensitive).

How does my child use Study Island?

- After signing in on Study Island's home page, look for the assignment.
- To pass a topic, your child must satisfy the topic's passing goal which is based on a minimum number of questions answered and a minimum percentage correct. A blue ribbon is displayed next to all passed topics.
- Once your child passes all topics in all sections, he has completed the Study Island program.

How do I monitor my child's progress?

- Log in to Study Island with your student's username and password.
- Click on **My Reports**.
- Click on a report and select the appropriate grade level.

