

Dear Agora Family,

Welcome to the 2014-15 school year! This year your child will be working with a math and/or a reading specialist. My name is Laurie Pastin and I have been assigned as your 6th grade math specialist; I am so excited to be working more closely with you! Although you have been assigned to my math specialist class, you may also have some interaction with our other 6th grade math specialist, Tracy Weinstock.

Agora strives to make an intentional impact with every student and we believe this will do just that! Each year, Agora Cyber Charter School develops a comprehensive plan which allows us time to reflect on how we can help our students find success. Having skilled specialists in place supports our plan to be as successful as we can. By working more closely with you, the specialist will be able to touch on your child's individual strengths and help to create a successful environment for them. As part of the individualized learning plan, he/she will be required to attend these sessions. A schedule with exact times will follow shortly.

During our sessions together we will be making math meaningful and relevant through hands-on virtual manipulatives and real-life examples. We will strive to make our classroom a safe learning environment where students can actively participate, seek clarification, and feel supported.

Together we can achieve wonderful things. We look forward to collaborating with you this year to provide input on how we may better ourselves and our program to inspire our students to do their best every day!

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me by K-mail or telephone at any time. I will try and get back to you as soon as possible - and no later than 24 hrs (the next work day) after hearing from you.



Sincerely,

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